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PREFACE

In the age of the Colas, the most creative period of South Indian History, the whole of South India was for the first time brought under the sway of a single government, and a serious attempt made to face and solve the problems of public administration arising from the new conditions. In local government, in art, religion and letters, the Tamil country reached heights of excellence never reached again in succeeding ages; in all these spheres, as in that of foreign trade and maritime activity, the Cola period marked the culmination of movements that began in an earlier age, under the Pallayas.

This history of the Colas, the first systematic study of a great epoch, has been rendered possible only by the work carried on steadily from year to year for half a century by the Archaeological Survey of India. My indebtedness to the scholars who, in the various publications of this department, have laid the foundations of Cola history will be evident on almost every one of the following pages. I have based my account, however, on an independent study of the originals, for which the most ample facilities were afforded to me by the Director-General of Archaeology and the officers in charge of the Madras office.

Inscriptions come to our aid only from the accession of Vijayālaya in the ninth century, and even then their distribution in time and space is naturally very uneven; for the early period, and we do not know of a time when there were no Cōlas, we depend altogether on extant Taniil Literature surviving for the most part

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ABBREVIATIONS

ARA. Annual Reports on Archaeology, Madras.

ARB. Archaeological Reports, Burma.

ARE. Annual Reports on Epigraphy, Madras.

ASC. Archaeological Survey Reports, Ceylon.

ASI. Archaeological Survey of India, Annual Reports of the Director-General.

ASSI. Archaeological Survey of Southern India.

BEFEO. Bulletin de l'Ecole Française d'Extreme Orient.

BG. Bombay Gazetteer.

CSI. Coins of Southern India by Sir Walter Elliot (1886).

CV. Culavamsa, edited and translated by Geiger, (Pāli Text Society).

DKD. Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts, by Fleet (in the BG).

EC. Epigraphia Carnatica.

EI. Epigraphia Indica.

EZ. Epigraphia Zeylanica.

HISI. Historical Inscriptions of Southern India. Sewell (1932).

IA. Indian Antiquary.

IHQ. Indian Historical Quarterly.

JA. Journal Asiatique.

JAHRS. Journal of the Andhra Historical Research Society.

ABBREVIATIONS

JBBRAS. Journal of the Bombay Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society.

JIH. Journal of Indian History.

JOR. Journal of Oriental Research.

JRAS. Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society (London).

List. Kielhorn: List of Inscriptions, Southern. (EI. vii and viii).

MAR. Mysore Archaeological Reports.

MV. Mahāvamsa, edited and translated by Geiger (Pāli Text Society), continued in CV.

NI. Nellore Inscriptions edited by Butterworth and Venugopal Chetty.

PK. The Pāṇḍyan Kingdom by K. A. Nilakanta Sastri (1929).

QJMS. Quarterly Journal of the Mythic Society, Bangalore.

SII. South Indian Inscriptions.

Studies. Studies in Cola History and Administration by K.A. Nilakanta Sastri (1932).

TAR. Travancore Archaeological Reports.

TAS. Travancore Archaeological Series.

CHAPTER I

SOURCES

On the history of the Colas, as on many other subjects of early Indian history, we Introduction. had, fifty years ago, little information of an authentic character. When, in the early years of the last century, Col. Mackenzie made his great effort to survey all and collect as many as possible of the antiquarian remains of the Madras Presidency. his agents in the Tanjore district failed to discover anything more remarkable on the ancient Colas than the Colavamsacaritram. This is a late Sthalapurana which is legendary and full of miracles. Tradition knew nothing of the real history of the older rulers of the land and could not tell if the Cola dynasty numbered eighty-four kings or sixteen. Epigraphy has made remarkable progress in South India during the last fifty years. Hultzsch, Venkayya and Krishna Sastri have brought out scholarly editions of many of the inscriptions. Of the Sangam literature, which is doubtless the earliest group of Tamil writings extant, considerable portions have been recovered and published. Now it is both possible and necessary to attempt a comprehensive study which shall bring together the results so far attained, and so to approach a definitive history of the Colas.

To attempt a task of this nature in a subject which, thanks to fresh discoveries or new interpretations of old material, is apt to have its foundations disturbed from time to time, is, we are warned, to run the risk of our structure collapsing no sooner than it is reared. But this is, in regard to Cola history, greatly to underestimate the permanence of the results reached so far;

for a careful review of the steps by which the reconstruction of this history has proceeded since the days when the clues obtained from Eastern Cālukya copperplates were correlated to the evidence from the Cola inscriptions of Tanjore and other places in the Tamil country, must convince the most sceptical among scholars that a considerable tract of ascertained knowledge has been added permanently to the history of South India. A settled and continuous narration of the political history of the Colas appears therefore not merely quite possible to undertake, but likely to be of more than transient interest. The case for such an undertaking becomes stronger if it is observed that, in its administrative system and in its literary and artistic achievement, Tamil civilisation may be said to have attained its high watermark under the Cola empire of the tenth to the thirteenth centuries. Under this empire also flourished in their greatest strength the sea-faring instincts of the people of Southern India which enabled them to add for a time an overseas empire to the more abiding prospects of a profitable trade with the states of the Far-East. The telling of a story which fills so large a place in the past life of the land and is so full of colour and incident should not be unduly postponed. At the same time we should recognise that, in regard to certain points of the story, the preliminary researches, of which one should have desired to avail oneself, have yet to be made; and even the attempt to paint the picture as a whole may be the means, by drawing attention to their need, of bringing such researches into being.

The history of the Colas falls naturally into four divisions: the age of the literature of the Sangam, the interval between the close of the Sangam age and the rise

of the Vijayālaya line, the Vijayālaya line which came to prominence in the ninth century A.D. and lastly, the Calukya-Cola line of Kulottunga I and his successors from the third quarter of the eleventh century to about the middle of the thirteenth. Nearly two centuries before the rise of Vijayalaya in the neighbourhood of Tanjore, there flourished a Cola kingdom in the Telugu districts comprising portions of Cuddapah, Kurnool and Anantapur, * whose kings traced their descent from Karikala. Nothing definite is known, however, of their connection with the early Colas. Again, from about the twelfth century, there were a number of local dynasties which claimed also to be among the descendants of Karikala and to belong to the Kaśyapa gōtra. Besides their legendary pedigree there seems to be no evidence connecting them in any manner with the Colas of the Tamil country. Of these late Telugu-Codas, who have left behind a large number of stone and copper-plate inscriptions, we need make only passing mention in this history.

The main source of our information on the early

Colas is the early Tamil literature of the so-called third Sangam. The brief notices of the Cola country and its towns, ports and commerce furnished by the Periplus and by Ptolemy are best interpreted in the light of this literature. The striking coincidences in these matters between the classical writers and the literature of the Sangam are enough to show that this literature belongs to the early centuries of the Christian era. And the somewhat obscure account in the Mahāvamsa of many conflicts between the inhabitants of Ceylon

^{*} EC. xii (7) and EI. xi, Malepadu plates.

and Tamil immigrants into the island receives some elucidation from a comparison of the proper names in the Mahāvamsa account with those occurring in the Sangam poems. The synchronism between Gajabāhu I and the Cēra king Senguṭṭuvan was viewed with suspicion by Hultzsch; but it rests not simply on the identity of the name of the Ceylonese king in the Mahāvamsa and in the Śilappadikāram, but on the existence of an active intercourse, political and cultural, between South India and its island-neighbour.

The period covered by the extant literature of the Sangam is unfortunately not easy to determine with any measure of exactness; though it seems most likely that it extended from five to ten generations at the most. Excepting the longer epics, the Śilappadikāram and the Manimēkalai * which, by common consent, are taken to belong to the closing stages of the Sangam age, the poems have reached us in the form of systematic anthologies, some of which, like the Ahanānūru, follow a highly intricate scheme in their arrangement. Each individual poem has generally attached to it a colophon on the authorship and subject-matter of the poem; in the poems of the division called Puran which deal with concrete objective situations, the name of the king or chieftain to whom the poem relates, and the occasion which called forth the eulogy or description, are also found. It is from these colophons, and rarely from the texts of the poems themselves, that we can gather the names of many kings and chieftains and of the poets and

^{*} A relatively late date for this poem, later than A. D. 400, seems to be forced on us by the trend of the discussion of the relation between Canto XXIX of this poem and the Nyāyapravēša, unless indeed this Canto is treated as having suffered a later revision. See Nyāyapravēša pp. xiii-xvi for a succinct review of the discussion by A. B. Dhruva.

poetesses patronised by them. The task of reducing these names to an ordered scheme in which the different generations of contemporaries can be marked off from one another has not yet commanded the attention and patient thought that it merits. writers have been apt to draw on their imagination and invent genealogical connections not supported by the sources; others have confessed themselves beaten in the game and have denounced the colophons as late and untrustworthy guesses, not worth much consideration at the hands of the modern historian. * Before adopting this counsel of despair, one would do well to recollect that some anthologies, like the Kalittogai, are said to have been put together by a poet represented in the collection itself, and that no reasoned case has been made out against accepting the literary tradition relating to these anthologies and the individual poems in them. † In any attempt to deal systematically with the data drawn from these poems, the casual nature of the poems and the wide difference between the purpose of the anthologist who brought them together and that of the modern historian must not be lost sight of; or one might fall easily into the error of finding a continuous story out of discontinuous material.

On the history of the Colas of the Vijayalaya line, there is an abundance of authentic material from diverse sources. This makes the narration of their history a relatively easy task. But of the fortunes of the Colas in the interval between the end of the Sangam age and the rise of Vijayalaya, that is, in the age of Pandya-Pallava dominance, we have practically no record. The scanty

^{*} P. T. Srinivasa Aiyangar, History of the Tamils pp. 416-7.

[†] For a full discussion of this subject see Studies, I.

references to them in the Pallava and Calukya inscriptions are but feebly supplemented by the hagiology of Saivism and Vaisnavism relating to the period.

The dynasty of Vijayālaya has left behind a large number of stone inscriptions and a few Inscriptions. copper-plate grants of great value to the historian. The illustrious Rajaraja I, under whom South Indian monarchy attained a sweep and splendour till then unknown, conceived the idea of prefixing to his inscriptions a set historical introduction recounting, in an ornate and poetic style of Tamil, the main achievements of his reign and kept up-to-date by additions made to it from time to time. The nurration of the descent of a king and, incidentally, of some salient facts relating to himself and his ancestors was for centuries before Rajaraja's accession the more or less universal practice of kings and chiefs who followed the norm set before them by the Smrti and Dharmaśāstra of the country for the drawing up of charters (Sāsanam) setting forth gifts (dāna) of various kinds. But such narration formed part, generally speaking, only of copper-plate grants (tamraśāsana) and was composed de novo on each separate occasion; and this practice, while it gave full scope for the fancy of the poet-composer of the prasasti, sometimes resulted in contradictory and confusing statements made about the same king in different grants. In ordering, therefore, the writing, on stone, in set form and in the language of the people, of an official and authorised account of the leading events of his reign, Rajaraja initiated a practice which, as it was kept up by his successors, not only satisfied the boundless vanity of this race of kings, but furnishes to the historian a formal record of exceptional value

of the transactions of each reign.* Most of these historical introductions have been the subjects of scholarly discussion and elucidation by Hultzsch and Venkayya in the earlier volumes of the South Indian Inscriptions, and though these mey-kkīrttikaļ occasionally merit the waggish description of them as poy-kkīrttikaļ, still, as a rule, they furnish invaluable guidance to the internal chronology and general history of the reign, besides providing picturesque and trustworthy accounts of particular events.

Few of these inscriptions are purely historical in aim and character. The one at Tiruvendipuram, † recording in detail the tribulations of Rajaraja III and the relief he obtained from the intercession of his Hoysala contemporary, is the most considerable among the handful of purely historical inscriptions. Generally speaking, inscriptions record gifts and endowments of a public or private nature, usually to temples, mathas and Brahmans; sometimes the construction of a temple or its renovation, or the setting up of a new image forms the subject of an inscription. To provide for the maintenance of a lamp in a temple was a common method of earning religious merit for oneself or of expiating an offence. This was done by gifts of money or cattle calculated at so much or so many per lamp, and it was possible for two or more persons to endow a lamp jointly and apportion the merit among themselves in accordance with the share contributed by each. Often the lamps were to burn throughout the day and night, to be perpetual, (nandā viļakku); ‡

^{*} These introductions were, in some inscriptions, omitted in part owing to exigencies of space. e.g. 96 of 1925 of the eleventh year of Rajendra 1.

^{† 142} of 1902, El. vii p. 161.

It is interesting to observe that Parimelalagar explains the phrase ' poyya vilakkam' in Kuza! 753 by 'nanda vilakku'.

but day-lamps, night-lamps and lamps for the occasions when pūja was performed (śandi) were also known. * When the lamps were provided for by gifts of cattle, the expression 'sāvā-mūvā-ppērādu' invariably occurs, and it means literally 'the big sheep that neither die nor age.' That this was only a formal way of expressing the permanence of the endowment becomes clear from the use of the same expression even where cows, and not sheep, are given. Moreover, if for any reason the original herd went down in numbers, and in one instance a herd of fifty cows was reduced to twenty-six in less than three years, † the fact was taken into account in assessing the obligations of the herdsmen for the future. Among the donors we find not only kings and their officials, but several corporations including occupational and commercial guilds, caste organisations, military groups, and village assemblies, and many private individuals, men and women. The class of courtesans, the devaradigar, 'servants of the Gods,' often made considerable benefactions to temples which were suitably recognised by privileges of a hereditary nature being conferred on them in relation to the services and festivals in the temples concerned.

Several inscriptions were obviously intended to publish and preserve in a more or less permanent form decisions and agreements on matters of public importance. In this class, which though not extensive is doubtless of greater interest to the student than the more numerous donative records, we find royal orders on taxation and land-revenue, the resolutions of village assemblies on their own constitutional arrangements,

^{*} This, I believe, is the correct interpretation of the expression 'fandi-vilakku' which figures so often in the inscriptions and is usually translated into "twilight-lamp." See Tamil Lexicon s. v. **** — canti.

^{† 120} of 1926 (year 6 of Rajendra I).

their awards in disputes between communities or other corporate organisations, judgements delivered against persons guilty of theft, adultery, murder and other crimes, and political compacts between powerful feudatory chieftains of particular localities. Quite often, inscriptions on temple walls served the purpose of a public registration office by conserving a trustworthy record of sales, mortgages and other forms of transfers of property-rights in village-lands. * Sometimes a record is expressly described as the copy of a copper-plate grant. † A unique inscription from Tiruvidaivāyil (Tanjore) preserves an otherwise unknown Dēvāram of Gāānasambandar on the local shrine.

The language and script of the Cola inscriptions varied with the time and place of the Their language records. The language most commonly and script. employed was Tamil; some Sanskrit records are known, besides several bilingual inscriptions employing both. Kanarese and Telugu were also employed in the Karnāṭaka and Telugu areas. The assumption has sometimes been made # that Tamil was the prevailing language in Cola times in all places where the Tamil inscriptions of Cola rulers are found, and that Tamil receded from these areas at a time subsequent to the period of Cola rule in these parts. Such inscriptions are, however, only proof at best of the presence of some Tamil immigrants in non-Tamil regions that were brought for a time under Cola rule. The recovery of some Telugu and Kanarese records of the Vijayanagar rulers and their Nāyak viceroys, and of the Hoysalas from distinctly Tamil areas cannot prove

^{*} In 134 of 1926 (Rājak. 16) we have an instance of a temple raising money by mortgaging some of its land to a woman in the queen's service.

^{+ 180} of 1894 (Kulöttunga I, 23).

[‡] ARE. 1895, 17 and 1908, II 49. See also Venkayya IA. xxxvii pp. 199-200.

that the Tamil country exchanged its language for Telugu or Kanarese during the period of these records. The long Marathi inscription of Tanjore of A.D. 1803 is another instance. Vatteluttu was the prevalent script in which Tamil was written in the early centuries of the Christian era in the Pandya and Cera countries; in the former it gave place to Tamil about the time of the Cola conquest * though "in the insulated malainadu (Malabar) it continued as late as the middle of the eighteenth century A. D." The Sanskrit language employed the Grantha script, closely allied to the Tamil in its evolution. Numerous as are the published inscriptions from which the evolution of the script can be traced with tolerable accuracy, chronological arguments drawn from palaeography are generally not so conclusive as might be wished, and must be received There are fewer chances of stone with caution. inscriptions being found to be forgeries than copperplate grants and, as a matter of fact, very few Cola inscriptions are of doubtful authenticity. One of the most conspicuous examples is that of a record † purporting to be dated in the twenty-ninth regnal year of a Rājēndracōļa Rājakēsari. By mixing up in its historical introduction the events of different reigns, the record rouses suspicion; its palaeography belongs to the fourteenth century, and it is found in a temple of which the walls bear no other inscription of an earlier date than the reign of Rajaraja III.

From the tenth century A.D., the period of Cola rule was a great epoch in the building of structural stone temples. The walls of the new temples, their pillars and their plinths were usually covered with inscriptions in course of time.

^{*} TAS. i p. 286.

^{+ 490} of 1926, ARE. 1927 II 82.

The great temple of Rajarajesvara in Tanjore furnishes, in this respect, only a leading example of a practice very common at the time. We are expressly told * that before older structures were pulled down for rebuilding a shrine, the inscriptions on the walls were, in many cases, copied out in books and re-engraved later on the walls of the new structure. Even brick temples had sometimes inscriptions engraved on their walls. † We shall never know the extent of the damage inflicted in recent years by the ignorant piety of renovators of ancient shrines. Government have been unduly slack in stopping such damage; they have even refused to lay down a procedure to be followed by renovators which would have minimised the extent of the damage. ‡ Sometimes inscriptions are found engraved on rocks and boulders not forming parts of temples, but they are the exception.

- * ASI. 1909-10 pp. 128-9; also 92 of 1895 and ARE. 1920 II_17.
- † 123 of 1900; El. vii pp. 145-6.

1 ARE. 1902, 1 8 and G.O. (Madras) 763 Public, 6th August 1902. After drawing attention to the destruction of the Kalinari Isvara by the inhabitants of Tirunamanallur, the government epigraphist says in his report: "The Nattukkottai Chetties are spending year by year a portion of their large earnings in repairing the ancient Siva temples of Southern India. In the course of these 'repairs' they have totally destroyed the following shrines with every one of their inscriptions: The Ekamranatha temple at Conjeevaram, the Jambukesvara temple on the island of Śrirangam, the central shrine of the temple at Tiruvannamalai, the same at Tiruvennainallur in South Arcot and the same at Tiruppugalur in the Tanjore District. Of some of the inscriptions in the first two temples, I have inked estampages in my office. The remainder are lost for ever, as the inscribed stones have been dressed again before rebuilding the temples. Many other temples are now going to be treated in the same manner." Government declined to restrict the activities of renovators by the issue of prohibitory orders as suggested by the epigraphical department which thereupon made 'a more vigorous attempt to secure impressions of the inscriptions thus threatened with destruction.' This has led to the accumulation of thousands of impressions in the epigraphist's office which have little chance, as things stand, of being published in any reasonable period even in the bald form adopted in SII. (Texts). There is also a real danger that in the race between publication and collection, collection might suffer in the future without publication gaining adequately.

The three copper-plate grants known by the names of Anbil, Leyden (larger) and Tiruvā-Legendary kings. langādu, as well as the Kanyākumāri stone inscription of Vīrarājēndra, give long legendary genealogies intended to bring out the solar origin of dynasty. The Udayendiram plates of Prithivipati II Hastimalla * give a much shorter list of the legendary ancestors of Vijayalaya. Of the several names in these legendary lists, which are by no means identical with one another, † only two or three names appear to be historical. Karikāla, Kōccengaņān and probably also Killi may be identified with the kings of the same names of whom we hear in the Tamil literature of the Sangam age. Barring the names of these kings, however, and some common legends,-e.g., that of Manu sentencing his son to death as he had by an accident crushed a calf to death under his chariotwheel, and the story of Sibi rescuing a dove from the pursuit of a vulture by offering it his own flesh-there is nothing else to indicate the relation in which the Colas of the Vijayalaya line stood to those of an earlier time mentioned in early Tamil literature. We shall see that even in regard to Karikāla and Koccengaņān the account given in the copper-plates is more legendary than historical and has little in common with the earlier literary accounts.

The stone inscriptions often contain astronomical data which, being less enigmatic than those from the Pāṇḍyan inscriptions of a later age, have yielded, in the hands of Kielhorn and others, results of great value to Cōla chronology. It is, however, easy to exaggerate the significance of such

^{*} SIL II. No. 76.

[†] For a comparison and critique of these lists see TAS. iii; also EI. xv.

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data. "The fact that a date has been recorded accurately does not prove the authenticity of a record, any more than an incorrect date proves that the record in which it is put forward is spurious." * Relatively few inscriptions quote any definite era like the Saka or Kaliyuga, † but in several instances the details furnished are so full and accurate that, together with the historical introductions characteristic of particular monarchs and the regnal years cited, they have led to the attainment of chronological results of precision and value. These results show that whenever possible the Cola monarchs followed the practice of choosing their successors and associating them in the administration of the country in their own life-time. This must have been done with the double object of avoiding disputed successions and providing opportunities for proper training, sufficiently early in life, for the future sovereigns of the country.

Sometimes years elapsed between the date when a royal order was issued or some transaction took place, and the time when it was engraved on stone. In a record ‡ of a money-endowment which was made in the thirtieth year of Parāntaka I, for instance, we are told that part of this money was invested in the thirty-fifth year with the assembly of a neighbouring village. Some important

^{*} Fleet, quoted by Rice, EI. xiv, p. 340.

[†] Writing of the Grāmam inscription of Parāntaka I which is dated in a Kali year and in which the day is expressed by giving the number of days that had elapsed since the beginning of the era, this is what Kielhorn says: "I may add that this is the earliest known Cola date which can be verified and that, of the 136 dates hitherto examined, it is the only one in which the era of Kaliyuga is quoted. Among the same dates 18 quote the Saka era: and of these 12 are in Kanarese, 4 in Telugu and only 2 in Tamil inscriptions. The Saka year 991 is quoted in the date of a Tamil inscription of Vīrarājēndra which does not admit of verification." El. viii p. 261.

^{‡ 164} of 1912.

inscriptions give a full account of the different stages that intervened between the issue of a royal order, especially in revenue matters, and its actual execution. A careful study of them throws much welcome light on the administrative machinery and practice of the time. They also tell us a great deal about the numerous taxes, tolls and dues of various kinds in terms not always readily understood, and about the numberless changes in place-names that formed such a marked feature of the Cōla period. We also learn much of society, religion, arts and crafts from the inscriptions.

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ties. The Rāṣṭrakūṭa inscriptions of

the time of Kṛṣṇa III, those of the

Eastern Cāļukyas and some even of the Eastern

Gangas, and the inscriptions of the Western Cāļukyas,

often go to confirm or modify impressions obtained by

a study of Cōḷa records. The records of prominent

feudatory dynasties, or of individuals like Kōpperuñ
jinga, become important as we approach the period

of the decline of Cōḷa power. Hoysaḷa records also

explain in part the politics of the period of decline.

Next to the inscriptions, monuments are the most interesting and instructive source of history. And for the Cola period these take the form mostly of temples and the sculptured halls and towers in them. It was also the age when the art of casting bronze images attained its high watermark. Though several temples dating from Cola times are in a good state of preservation, very little has been done for the systematic study of their architecture and sculpture. M. Jouveau-Dubreuil has

given a shrewd account of their general characteristics in his Archeologie du sud de l'Inde, and for the rest, we have only the haphazard observations scattered in the reports of the Archaeological department. When monuments standing on the surface have received such scant attention, it is no wonder that more ancient monuments buried in the soil remain undisturbed. Yet the importance of this branch of archaeology for the early history of Southern India can hardly be overestimated.*

Numismatics, which forms an interesting and important branch of archaeology in relation to the history of the rest of India, has so far not yielded, except in a few instances, any striking results for the general history of South South Indian coinages, however, have "as yet not received a scientific treatment in any way to be compared with that which has obtained such valuable historical results from the coins of the North." + The finds of Roman coins and the coinage of the Madura Sultanate have been rather closely studied and with good results. During the period of their paramountcy in Southern India, the Colas issued coins of gold, silver and copper. Specimens of the gold issues are extremely rare; silver coins are not so rare, and copper pieces of different sizes are met with every day. These coins, generally speaking, are of two types -- one carrying on both sides the Cols symbol of the tiger in the centre, flanked by the symbols of the subject powers, the Cera bow and the Pandyan fish, with a legend giving the name of the king; the other, called by Prinsep and Elliot the 'Ceylon type', in which the symbols give place to

[•] ARA, 1912-13, I 10; 1915-6, l. 8.

[†] Rapson-Sources of Indian History: Coins, p. 123.

'a rude human figure, standing on the obverse and seated on the reverse.' * As the 'Ceylon type' makes its appearance in the reign of Rājarāja I and the type with the symbols is known to persist for a long time after, even up to the reign of Kulōttunga I, the view, common at one time, that coins of the 'Ceylon type' are later than those of the other type must be modified. In fact, it may be doubted if we have any com specimens clearly of an age anterior to Rājarāja I, so that the 'Ceylon type' would appear to be really coeval with the other. † None of the known specimens of Cōla coins have yet been identified with any of the coins mentioned in contemporary inscriptions.

Literature is in other countries the bed-rock of history; in India it is often a snare. The utter impossibility of basing any part of the ancient history of India solely, or even primarily, upon literary evidence has been deplored by several modern students. Not only is there a paucity of professedly historical works, but of very few really ancient compositions do we know with certainty the time and place of origin. Great

^{*} Elliot, p. 108.

[†] Very little was known of the real history of the Colas when Elliot wrote his great work on the 'Coins of Southern India.' He indeed dates the origin of the 'Ceylon type' in the eleventh century (p. 108) and calls it 'a remarkable change' from the earlier type; the Cola coins actually figured and described by him (some of which were considered again by Hultzsch IA. xxi p. 323) support this view.

Rapson (op. cit. sec. 126) stereotypes the theory of Elliot and gives, doubtless by oversight, c. A. D. 1022 as the date not only of the introduction of the Ceylon type but of 'the beginning of the reign of Rajaraja Cola.' He also describes the figures in the Ceylon types thus: "obv. king standing: rev. king seated." It may be doubted if the 'rude human figure' (Elliot) which Tufnell (Hints, p. 11) took to be that of a 'raksasa' was intended to represent the king. A unique silver coin with legend Sri Rajarajadava' (Hultzsch IA. xxv, p. 317) combines the squatting figure on the obv. with the symbols and legend on the rev.

books which, like the Rāmāyana and the Mahābhārata. have for ages served as popular cyclopaedias of national culture, were frequently revised; the time. the authorship and the extent of such revisions are so obscure that it is hopeless to make an intelligent use of data drawn from these works. * Lastly, in the few works of which we have definite knowledge in regard to authorship and provenance, a great amount of space is taken up by conventional descriptions, and it is seldom that we come across the plain downright statement of a fact. In Tamil literature, the poems of the Sangam age are very realistic and prima facie trustworthy and do not share the demerits of the literature of a more fulsome age; but by a cruel irony of fate these poems are involved in some chronological obscurity; and the compositions, especially those of the Cola period, of which we know the authors and dates, exhibit in abundant measure all the defects of court poetry. Still, after all allowance is made, the evidence from indigenous literature for the history of the Cola kingdom will be seen to be not inconsiderable in volume and will, if used with care, go far to eke out the testimony of archaeology.

The Cola empire under Vijayālaya and his successors witnessed one of the greatest periods of literary and religious revival in South India. Sometime in the tenth or eleventh century A.D., the canonical works of South Indian Saivism were arranged more or less in their modern form by Nambi Āṇḍār Nambi, who was also its first hagiographer and whose work formed the basis of the far more elaborate Tiruttoṇḍar Purāṇam, known generally as Periya Purāṇam, of Śēkkiļār, a contemporary of Kulottunga II in the twelfth century.

[•] Foulkes's articles in the *Indian Antiquary* on "Civilisation of the Dekkan down to the 6th Century B. C." (viii pp. 1 ff) are a measure of what is possible with only such sources at our disposal.

Great as is the value of the tradition preserved by these writers, they are to be accepted more as witnesses to beliefs current in their own times than as correctly recording what we should now call the early history of Saivism. This distinction has not been sufficiently considered by those writers who have drawn rather freely from Sekkilar in their accounts of transactions that took place centuries before his time. Moreover, a careful study of the Periya Purānam reveals that many details for which there is no warrant in Nambi Andar Nambi's short notes on the saints make their appearance for the first time in Sekkilär's account; and for aught we know, Sekkilär was guided only by his imagination and by popular belief. Such details, however valuable as reflecting a definite, and as it happened the final, stage in the growth of Saiva hagiology, should not be accepted, without sufficient corroboration from other sources, as part of the early history of Saivism in South India; much less would they be entitled to credence if they are opposed to the testimony of contemporary inscriptions or other evidence equally trustworthy. It seems only proper, therefore, that we accept the beautiful pen-pictures which abound in Śēkkilar's great work as idealised accounts of life and society as he saw them in his own day rather than as studies and portraits of a bygone age. Thus the description of the Brahman village of Adanur and of the hamlet of pariahs attached to it in the story of Nanda, the pariah saint, may well be used in any re-construction of rural life in Cola times, allowance being made, of course, for the play of the well-understood conventions of literature that dominate such accounts.

Equally remarkable is the settlement of the Vaisnava canon of the "Four Thousand Sacred

Hymns" which took place about the same time as the Śaiva canon was fixed by Nambi Āṇḍār Nambi. The Divya-sūri-carita and the Guru-paramparai form the Vaisnava counterpart of the Periya Puranam from which they differ in providing an elaborate, though impossible, chronology for the lives of the Vaisnava saints, the Alvars. In addition to being a record of traditions and beliefs prevalent at the time of their composition, these works furnish the background necessary for a proper estimate of Rāmānuja and his place in the history of Vaisnavism. And the great commentaries on the hymns of the Alvars, written in a peculiar jargon more Sanskrit than Tamil, though perhaps of a slightly later age than the Cola period, still have great value for us, as they record in a casual manner several incidents of Cola times. This feature, as well as the idiosyncrasies of language that mark these commentaries, sometimes assists us in elucidating the Cola inscriptions.

Among works of secular literature which can be dated with accuracy, the most interesting from our point of view are the Virasoliyam of Buddhamitra, the Kalingattupparani of Jayangondar and the three ulās and the Kulöttungan Pillait-tamil of Ottakküttan. first is a work on Tamil grammar composed by a Buddhist writer in the reign of Vīrarājēndra. Yāpparungalam and the Yāpparungalak-kārikai are other works on one branch of grammar, prosody, by a Jaina writer, Amitasagara, of somewhat earlier date. These three works possess glosses slightly later than the original texts; and the examples cited by the authors of these commentaries to illustrate particular rules of grammar are often of uncommon interest; they provide fresh information, and confirm, and sometimes elucidate, data drawn from the inscriptions. Kalingattupparaņi of Jayangoņdār is a war-poem of the

conventional parani type, which has for its subjectmatter the conquest of the Kalinga country by Karuņākarat-toņdaimān, the celebrated generalissimo of Kulottunga I. The poem is justly celebrated for the excellence of its diction and its superb display of metrical effects; it fetched the title of Kavic-cakravarti (Emperor of Poetry) to its author, a title which seems to have been kept on as a sort of poet-laureateship, or at any rate was conferred also on Ottakkuttan who, though himself a poet of no mean order, paid his predecessor the high compliment of imitating him closely in his Takkayagapparani on a well-known theme of mythology. For all its fabulous and supernatural elements, and the absurd hyperboles characteristic of it, the Kalingattupparani is still valuable to the historian as it furnishes much welcome information on the Cola genealogy and on the details of the Kalinga campaign of Kulottunga, including the route taken by his army. Parts of the poems were translated into English by V. Kanakasabhai some years ago, and the translation was published in the Indian Antiquary. Ottakküttan chose the ulā as the vehicle of his encomiums on three successive monarchs who followed Kulottunga I. The ulā is, like the paraņi, a conventional literary form. If the parani is par excellence a war-poem, the ulā is just its opposite; free from the cares and anxieties of his high station, with no troubles domestic or foreign to cloud his happiness, the king with his retinue is conceived as going for a stroll round the capital city; the beginning of the ula generally gives a more or less studied account of the achievements of the king and his ancestors, and provides a somewhat detailed description of the chief men among his courtiers who accompany him and the place they occupy in the administration of the country; this

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part of the poem is of considerable historical value. What follows in the ulā is not of much immediate interest to us; it is, to a modern student, a monotonous account of the amorous looks and the tell-tale acts of the women of the city who, at the sight of the king, become agitated and love-sick. Besides the three ulās, on Vikrama, Kulōttunga II and Rājarāja II, Oṭṭak-kūttan also wrote the Kulōttunga-śōlan-pillait-tamil, a child-poem on Kulōttunga II; notable for its fine sentiment and high eloquence, this poem is not nearly so useful to us as the ulās.

The number of late chronicles and Sthalapurāṇas is legion. The Navacōlacarita, a Vīra-śaiva compilation available in a Kanarese and a Telugu version, the Bṛhadīśvara-māhātmya or the Cōlavamśacaritra in Sanskrit, of which there is a Tamil translation among the Mackenzie Mss., and the Kongudēśa-Rājākkaļ, also in the same collection of manuscripts, are the leading examples of this class. But as Fleet has observed, * the fanciful nature of such works and their utter want of reliability for any purposes of early history "are disclosed at once by the very slightest thoughtful examination."

Though not copious, the evidence from Chinese writings is extremely valuable on account of its settled chronology and the matter-of-fact nature of the data furnished by it. Arab travellers, Muslim historians and the early European travellers like Marco Polo give important hints on the impression made by South India on foreign observers in those days. This line of external evidence is of particular value for an understanding of the nature and extent of the foreign commerce of the period.

^{*} IA. xxx pp. 6-7.

CHAPTER II.

EARLY NOTICES

According to tradition, the Cola country comprised the land between two streams having The Country. the same name, Vellaru,* in the north and the south, the sea on the east and Köttaikkarai in the west. This area includes the modern districts of Trichinopoly and Tanjore and part of the Pudukkottah The Kaveri and its branches including the Coleroon (Kollidam) dominate the landscape of this generally flat country which slopes gently towards the sea. The low tableland of Vallam broken by small ridges of grit and sandstone to the south and south-west of Tanjore, and a number of protruding masses of crystalline rock, of which the Trichinopoly rock in the centre of the fort is the best known, are the only relief to the monotony of the level surface. To find any hills of importance, we must turn to the northern taluks of the Trichinopoly district lying on the border, if not altogether outside, of the Cola country proper. The delta of the Kāvēri is a large alluvial plain "devoid of all natural eminences, save the ridges and hillocks of blown sand, which fringe the narrow strip of beach along the sea-coast. 'The sea rolls upon a shelving sandy shore unbroken by rocks of any kind'; hence the coast is remarkably monotonous in aspect.

* kadal kilakkut-terkuk-karai pural Velläru kuda-tisaiyil köttaikkaraiyum—vada tisaiyil enättu Vellärirupattu närkädam Sönättuk-kellaiyenac-col.

Though ascribed by some to Kamban (see e. g. p. 56 of the Solamandala Satakam) the venda seems to be more ancient in origin; others ascribe it to Auvaiyar. (Taylor III 42). Köttaik-karai "means 'fort bank' and tradition says that it refers to the great embankment of which traces still stand in the Kulittalai taluk of Trichinopoly"—Gazetteer of the Tanjore Dt. I p. 15.

The whole surface of the delta is one even level of paddy fields interspersed only with tops or clumps of cocoanut, mango and other fruit trees. There are no forests or tall tree jungles." * The soil is very favourable also to the bamboo and the plantain.

The glory of the Kāvēri forms an inexhaustible theme of early Tamil poetry. This noble stream was released from his water-pot by the sage Agastya in response to the prayer of the king Kānta and for the exaltation of the 'children of the sun.' † She was the special banner of the just race of the Cōlas, and she never failed them in the most protracted drought. The yearly freshes in the Kāvēri formed the occasion of a carnival in which the whole nation from the king down to the meanest peasant took part.

the north of Tranquebar, serves to identify the Kāvēri proper from amidst its more considerable offshoots that find their way to the sea, and the little village apparently marks the site of the Cōla emporium of ancient renown. ‡ Negapatam, about ten miles south of Kāraikkāl, also on the sea board, was perhaps known to Ptolemy as an important town; at any rate it became a seat of trade and the centre of many religious faiths including Buddhism, long before it attracted the attention of European merchants and missionaries. Tanjore, Trichinopoly, the

^{*} Tanjore Manual, pp. 4-5; Trichinopoly Manual, pp.2-3.

⁺ Manimekalai I, 9-12; 23-4

^{‡ &}quot;According to some it is the Chabaris Emporium mentioned by Ptolemy in the 1st cent. A.D. The inscriptions secured from the modern Kāvērippaṭṭaṇam and its vicinity leave no doubt as to its identity with Kāvirippūmpaṭṭiṇam alias Puhār, though the monuments of Pallavanīccaram and Śāyāvaneśvara are not of such early date as could be expected"——ARE, 1919 II 2.

modern representative of the more ancient Uraiyūr which is now a suburb of Trichinopoly, and Kumbakonam are the other notable cities of the Cola country. Gangaikonda-colapuram, at the meeting point of the modern districts of Trichinopoly, S. Arcot and Tanjore, rose into prominence as the Cola capital in the eleventh and twelfth centuries, and is now a small place with a magnificent temple in ruins.

Of the origin of the name Cola we have no knowledge whatever. The learned Parime-The name Cola lalagar is inclined to make it the name, like Pandya and Cera, of a ruling family or clan of immemorial antiquity * and renown. The story of the eponymous brothers Ceran, Solan and Pandiyan is doubtless an instance of euhemerism. † Whatever its origin, ‡ the name Cola was from the earliest times used to describe the people and the country subject to the sway of the Cola dynasty of rulers. Col. Gerini's attempt to connect the word with the Sanskrit Kāla (black), and with Kola which "in the early days designated the dark-coloured pre-Aryan population of southern India in general," is hardly more convincing than the efforts to derive it from Tamil 'Colam' (millet) or Sanskrit 'Cora' (thief). §

^{*} See Kural No. 955 and his gloss on it.

[†] Caldwell, Tinnevelly, p. 12.

[†] Mr. L. V. Ramaswami Aiyar, to whom I referred the question, writes to me as follows: "Tam. $C\bar{o}_{l}a$ does not appear to be directly connected with any extant Tamil or Dravidian base. This fact of course need not necessarily lead us to postulate a foreign origin for the word. • • • • • If the postulate that— \bar{u} —may have in some circumstances (for which we have parallels in Dravidian) changed to— \bar{o} —, is justified, then one might conceivably connect $C\bar{o}_{l}a$ with $C\bar{o}_{l}a$ —with the meanings 'to whirl', 'to hover', and explain ' $C\bar{o}_{l}a$ ' as 'hoverer.'"

[§] See Gerini-Researches, pp. 85 ff and 101-3. There appears to be some other evidence, however, in support of Gerini's view that a stream of dark emigrants of the negrito race, the descendants of the so-called Ruksassas of old, came to Malaya from Southern India and were followed by their early successors, the Dravidians,

Other names in common use for the Colas are Killi, Valavan and Sembiyan. Killi Other names. perhaps comes from 'kil', meaning 'dig' or 'cleave' and conveys the idea of a 'digger'; * this word often forms an integral part of early Cola names like Nedungilli, Nalangilli and so on, but almost drops out of use in later times. 'Valavan' is most probably connected with 'valam', 'fertility', and means owner or ruler of a fertile country, such as the land of the Kāvēri was. Sembiyan is generally taken to mean a descendant of Sibi, † a legendary hero whose self-sacrifice in saving a dove from the pursuit of a falcon figures among the early Cola legends and forms the subject-matter of the Sibijataka among the Jātaka stories of Buddhism. 1

The Colas adopted the tiger as their crest; the same animal was figured on their banner. Not one of the numberless references to this Cola emblem which occur in Tamil literature tells us anything of its origin. Some late local chieftains of the Telugu country who claimed descent from Karikāla adopted the lion-crest.

who constituted the pre-Aryan population of India. cf. Elliot Smith, Human Mistory pp. 69-71. But Gerini exaggerates the cultural importance of these pre-listoric movements of population. He confounds them with later ones that took place in historical times after Southern India was more or less aryanised in its culture, and he goes on to suggest that the Indian culture of Siam, Kambhoja and other places had its origin in the earliest pre-historic movements. (p. 101). For Cola' \subset cora, thief, see Bhandarkar, Carmichael Lectures, 1918, pp. 8-9.

[•] Dr. Pope suggested the fanciful equation Killi = Pallavan (IA. xxix p. 250.) Even if Pallava is accepted as the correct form of the word, rather than Pallava (Skt. 'sprout'), it would mean more properly 'people dwelling in low lands' (pallam), and not 'diggers'. It may be doubted if the Pallavas were indigenous to Southern India; and unless they were, it would be vain to look for a Dravidian origin for their name. In any case, they were by no means the same as the Colas.

[†] See e.g. the Virasoliyam, comment on Tattita, v. 3.

[‡] Yazdani-Ajanta I pp. 4-7. Krom-Boro Budur vol. i, pp. 275-7.

[§] El. xi, p. 338.

And the Sindas of the Naga family, who used the Vyāghralānchana, had the story that Sinda, their eponymous ancestor, born of the serpent king Dharanëndra at Ahicchatra in the region of the Sindhu, was reared by a tiger. A slightly different form of the story makes him the offspring of a union between God Siva and the Sindhu, brought up on tiger's milk by the king of serpents. * These late inventions only confirm the fact that the origin of the tiger-crest was forgotten quite early by those who had adopted it.

The grammarian Kātyāyana knew of the Cōḍas. †

The earliest records which mention the Cōḷas and which can be dated with certainty are the Aśokan inscriptions, ‡ where they are mentioned among kingdoms which, though not subject to Aśoka, were on friendly terms with him. The Cōḷas, like the Pāṇḍyas, are spoken of in the plural in all the versions of the Aśokan edicts, and this has been held to imply that 'in Aśoka's time there were more than one Cōḍa and one Pāṇḍya king'. §

Two or three poets of the Sangam make rather enigmatic references to an invasion of the South by the Mōriyar (Mauryas) and one of them, Māmūlanār, also speaks of the wealth of the Nandas hidden under the Ganges at Pāṭaliputra. All the three poets agree that, in the course of the invasion, the Mauryas cut for their chariots a new path across some rocky mountain. Māmūlanār alone furnishes some more details. He says that the Vadugar formed the vanguard of the invading Mauryas (Aham 281); elsewhere

^{*} EI. iii 231-2.

^{+ +} Mahābhāsya, ed. Kielhorn, Il p. 270.

T Vide Hultzsch-Asoka Inscriptions-Index s. v. Cola.

[§] D. R. Bhandarkar-Asoka p. 38.

he adds that the Kōśar undertook the subjugation of the South and that, as the Möhür chieftain continued defiant, the Mauryas came down with their great forces on a warlike expedition to the South (Aham 251). Now, as Asoka distinctly states that the Tamil kingdoms were not politically subject to him, and as there is little possibility of any Mauryan invasion of the extreme South having taken place after his time, we have necessarily to ascribe the events mentioned by Māmūlanār to a period anterior to Asoka's accession. In other words, this poet must be taken to provide a much earlier and doubtless more dependable, if somewhat meagre, confirmation of the stories of Bindusāra's conquests in the Deccan and Southern India recorded by the Tibetan historian The Kōśar, who occupied the Tulu Tārānath. *

* See M. S. Ramaswami Aiyangar, Studies in South Indian Jainism, pp. 127 ff, for a succinct summary of the evidence on the subject; also Dr. S. K. Aiyangar, Beginnings, pp. 88 ff. Following Pandit M. Raghava Aiyangar, M. S. R. lays (p. 134 ff. op. cit.) undue stress on vamba in the phrase vamba moriyar (Aham 251), quotes late and obscure Gutta legends of the tenth century A. D. in support of his notion that the Imperial Guptas were confounded by Mamulanar with the more ancient Mauryas, and seeks to establish a fifth century date for Mamulanar and his contemporaries of the Sangam. The fact that Pandit Raghava Aiyangar does not now see as much force in these arguments as he once did, and has suppressed them in the second edition of his Stran Senguttuvan, perhaps renders otiose any detailed discussion of these views. The phrase ' vamba moriyar' is used by Manulanar only once; he hunself, elsewhere, talks only of the 'moriyar' and so do the two other poets, Parankogranar (Aham 69) and Attraiyanar (Puram 175). The expression cannot therefore be made much of, especially because 'namba' is an adjective with several meanings of which 'unsteady,' 'restless,' is admittedly one. And supposing for a moment that Mamulanar was thinking of the Imperial Mauryas, he knows of the Nandas and their wealth,-nothing could have struck him more than the 'restlessness' of these Mauryas, eager to annex all the kingdoms of India to their empire. Even accepting the other meaning suggested for the word 'vamba,' 'new,' we are not aware of any insuperable difficulty in supposing that, at the time when Mamulanar was writing, the Mauryan expansion to the South was a fact of recent history. One fails to see moreover how some confusion between the Mauryas and the Guptas that marks the legendary genealogy of an obscure clan of rulers in North India can furnish an analogue for a similar confusion in the mind of a South Indian Tamil poet of unknown age; much less, how such inferential confusion can be made the basis for suggesting a date for the poet and his compositions. M. S. R. was strongly influenced by Smith's view of Samudra-gupta the Indian Napoleon's campaign in the South based on his early

country and have been with good reason identified with the Satiyaputa of the Aśoka inscriptions, * perhaps agreed to serve as wardens of the marches for the Mauryan Empire in the South; when they found the chieftain of Möhür troublesome and themselves unequal to subjugating him, they were assisted in their task by the advent of Mauryan troops with a Vaduga vanguard. Möhür is probably represented to-day by its modern namesake in the South Arcot district, not far from the famous Āttūr pass through which, in recent times, Haidar Ali came down so often on the southern plains. †

If this view of the relation of the Mauryas to the South Indian states is accepted as correct, it would follow that there was a slight set-back to the Mauryan power in the south sometime late in Bindusāra's reign or early in Aśoka's, as these states, especially Satiyaputa, seem to have improved their political status in regard to the Mauryan Empire before the date of the Rock Edicts II and XIII.

The part taken from the sixth century B. C. by
Southern India in the growing commerce between the Western countries

identification of 'Palakka' of the Allahabad pıllar inscription with Palghat, which is no longer considered sound. Mr. P. T. Srinivasa Aiyangar says of Aham 281: "The Kösar are called here Vadugar." It may be so, in which case Vadugar munnura of this verse should be a brief allusion to the failure of the Kösai to subdue Möhür, narrated at greater length in Aham 251. But Mr. Aiyangar's assertion that the Konkan Mauryas "were the only possible Möriyar who, in conjunction with the Kösar, could have attempted a raid into the Tamil country" is hardly convincing. See his Tamils pp. 522-3.

^{*} It should be observed that, though Satiyaputa occurs in the singular in the Ašoka inscriptions, the Kōśar are always mentioned in the plural in Tamil literary works.

[†] Studies in South Indian Jainism p. 140. Many other places also bear the name Möhür and the identification of the place must be considered tentative.

and those in the East as far as China is sufficiently known. * Of the direction and nature of this trade and of its economic importance, something will be said further on. Here we may note that to this commerce we owe, in the main, two valuable notices of Southern India and the Cola country separated by about half a century. The Periplus Maris Erythraei is the interesting handbook of an Alexandrian merchant, "which was written in the time of Domitian (81-96 A.D.), and by the evidence furnished by Pliny the Elder." † The anonymous author of this short treatise tells us a little about the Cola country in particular which, considering the paucity of early notices of the Coromandel coast, is of uncommon interest to the student of Cola history. He says: "Beyond Colchi there follows another district called the coast country, which lies on a bay, and has a region inland called Argaru." This statement is best understood as pointing to the division of the Cola country into two parts, a coastal district and an inland district. There is, as we shall see, evidence of Cola rule from two centres at this period-Puhar or Kaverippattinam on the coast and Uraiyur inland. Pattinam, meaning a port-town, was the name of the Cola capital on the coast, and the phrase in the Periplus, 'the coast country, which lies on a bay',

^{*} See Keunedy JRAS. 1898 pp. 248-87 for a full discussion of this subject. Prof. Jules Bloch in his paper "Nom du Riz" (Etudes Asiatiques Vol. I, pp. 37-47) denies that the Greek term for rice is derived from Tam. Arisi; and he holds that there is not much evidence, philological or other, in proof of the part of South India in this trade, which might after all have been confined, at any rate until a very late stage, to Northern India and to the land routes. L. V. Ramaswami Aiyar IA. Vol. lix pp. 178 ff., after a careful examination of Bloch's position on the etymology of the Gk. Oruzon, comes to the conclusion: "Varigi or Varizi may be postulated for Dravidian from which, with characteristic modifications, the Greeks could have borrowed that word." Kennedy's couclusion that maritime trade between South India and the West dates from the sixth or even the seventh century B. C. still seems good.

[†] Rostovtzeff-Social and Economic History of the Roman Empire p. 91.

unmistakably recalls the Pattinam of the Pattinappālai,* specially as it is placed in contrast with 'a region inland called Argaru,' which doubtless is the same as Uraiyūr. The author has named each of the districts after its chief town. It is remarkable that, while he knows the name 'Cerobothra' and 'Pandian,' he does not mention 'Cōla.' His information on the east coast of India is meagre and apparently based on hearsay. † He mentions also three market towns and harbours 'where the ships put in from Damirica and from the north', which 'in order as they lie' are 'first Camara, then Poduca, then Sopatma'—names now not easily identified ‡, though Sopatma may be the same as Sō-pattinam of Tamil literature, now called Markāṇam.

Ptolemy has rather more to tell us about the Cola country and its ports and inland cities. § Leaving aside all doubtful names which cannot be properly identified, we find that he gives particulars sufficiently precise of the positions of Kāvēripaṭṇam (Khaberis) at the mouth of the Kāvēri and of Negapatam (Nikama); and as Cunningham has said: "Cola is noticed by Ptolemy, whose Orthura regia Sornati must be Uṛaiyūr, the capital of Soranatha, or the king of the Soringae, that is the Soras, Choras or Cholas." ¶ Ptolemy also makes mention of the 'Sorai

[•] The quotations are from Schoff · Periplus. Schoff says: "Coast country is from the native name, 'Cola coast,' 'Colamandalam.'" (p. 241). This is hardly satisfactory as Cola-mandalam only means Cola country, not 'coast.'

[†] See Rawlinson-Intercourse between India and the Western World pp. 121-2.

[‡] Schoff—p. 242. Kanakasabhai p. 29. Also IA. viii, p. 149 n. QJMS. xxi. pp. 413-4.

[§] See Ch. I, sections 12, 13, 68, and 91 in Mc. Crindle's edn of Bk. VII in IA. xiii. Also Caldwell—Comp. Grammar. pp. 92 ff. Kanakasabhai (p. 29) makes many shrewd suggestions on the identification of Ptolemy's names.

Ancient Geography p. 631. See also Caldwell-Comp. Grammar p. 93.

nomads' with 'Sora the captial of Arkatos.' "One is strongly tempted to suppose that here," as Caldwell remarks, "the names given by the natives of the country to his informants had got transposed," and that, consequently, we have to consider Arkatos as the capital of the Sorai nomads. Arcot is not so modern a name as it is often imagined to be. * A Cōļa princeling by name Aliśi is said to have had for his residence "Ārkkādu surrounded by paddy fields", † and very likely Ārkkād means "forest of Ār" (Baulinea Racemosa), ār or ātti being a Cōļa emblem. This Ārkkādu may or may not be identical with the Arcot celebrated in later days as the seat of the Nawabs of the Carnatic; but it is probably the same as Ptolemy's Arkatos. ‡ From the statement of Ptolemy on the

* Caldwell says: "General Cunningham objects to this identification that Arcot is quite a modern name; but it must, as Col. Yule has pointed out, be at least as old as 1340 A.D., for it is mentioned by Ibn Batuta. The name is properly ār-kād, Tam. the six forests, and the Hindus of the place regard it as an ancient city, though not mentioned by the name in the Puranas, and point out the 'six forests' in which six of the risis of the ancient period had their hermitage." (op.cit. pp. 93-4.) Such local legends are not of much value in the face of the much stronger and earlier evidence cited. Ptolemy places Arkatos in the country between Mt. Bettigo and Adeisathros (VII, l. 68); but on account of the inextricable confusion into which he falls over the second of these names (IA. xiii. p. 337), this does not help us much in the location of Arkatos on a modern map. The references in the early Tamil literature are valuable in this respect. Cunningham was doubtless influenced by Yuan-chwang's data about Chu-lien when he proposed to identify Ptolemy's Sora, the capital of Arkatos, with Zora or Jora (the Jorampun of the maps), an old town lying immediately under the walls of Karnul (Anc. Geogr. p. 626.)

† Poem No. 190 (anonymous) of the Narrinai has the following:-

tēngamal viritār—ıyarērališi Vaņģumūšu neyda—nelliģai malaru mariyalangaļani—yārkkāģanna.

There is also a stray venbā (Perundogai No. 988) which mentions Ališi-kādu, the kādu (forest) of Ališi. This princeling had a son Sēndan, who is sometimes connected with the Cōla capital Ugaiyūr (Kurundogai No. 258). Ārkkādu is said to be in the Cōla country by the editor of the Narrinai.

‡ See Yule and Burnell-Hobson-Jobson s. v. Arcot, where it is pointed out that of several places of this name in the Southern districts besides the town of Arcot near Vellore, one in Tanjore would correspond best with Harkatu of Ibn Batuta.

'Sorai nomads' and 'Arkatos,' the inference has been made * that there were two different Cola countries or kingdoms at the same time; it is quite possible, however, that the 'Sorai nomads' were some nomadic tribe or tribes in the Cola country itself. That such tribes were in existence, and that some of the early Cola kings, especially Karikala, made an effort to civilise them and train them to more settled ways of life, is borne out by Tamil literature.

The early chapters of the Mahāvamsa testimony, sufficiently authentic and Pali books. precise, to the early intercourse between the Cola country and the island of Ceylon; and generally, the early literature of Pali Buddhism makes very valuable, though scanty, allusions to the land of the Colas and Kaveripattinam, its most celebrated emporium. Some of these references must be as old as the Periplus, if not earlier. "The Questions of King Milinda," a Buddhist work of the beginning of the Christian era, mentions Kola-Pattana among the best-known sea-port towns of the time, and Kolapattana must be, says Rhys Davids, some place on the Coromandel coast. † Most probably this is a reference to Kaveri-pattinam, the Pattana par excellence on the Coromandel coast, which figures elsewhere in Pali Buddhist literature as well. M. Sylvain Levi has pointed out that Puhar, the great centre of traffic between Southern India and the islands of the Archipelago, was the original abode of the somewhat obscure sea-goddess Manimekhalā — "girdle of gems"—after whom Madhavi's celebrated daughter and the poem of Śāttan narrating the story of her spiritual life came to

D. R. Bhandarkar-Asoka p. 39.

[†] Rhys Davids-The Questions of King Milinda (SBE.) i, p. xliv and ii, p. 269.

be called. * In the Jataka story, Akitti, in order to escape the attentions of his admirers, left the neighbourhood of Benares for the Tamil country where he spent some time in a garden near Kaveripattana.

According to the Mahāvamsa, the island of Ceylon began to fall under powerful Cola influences very early in its history. The relations between the Damilas and the natives of the island form one of the main strands in the narrative of this valuable chronicle, and the synchronisms furnished by it are among the more important sources of our knowledge of Tamil history and chronology. Though on several occasions the chroniele speaks only of Damilas in general, still the distinction between the Pandya and Cola divisions of the Tamil country is well known and clearly observed in the Mahāramsa. Towards the middle of the second century B. C., a Damila of noble descent, Elara by name, came to Ceylon from the Cola country (Colarattha), overpowered Asela who was then ruling in the island, and himself reigned as king for forty-four years, 'with even justice towards friend and foe on occasions of disputes at law.' † Many stories are told in illustration of the

• IIIQ. vi 597 ff. Without stopping to argue the matter fully, M. Sylvain Levi finds an easy explanation in 'Tainil nationalism' (p. 607) for the view which ascribes an early date to the poem. The relation between the Ayayapravēša of Diūnāga and the Manimēkalai xxix is not simple, as readers of Professor Krishnaswanii Aiyangar's Manimēkhalai in its Ilistorical Setting must see. And a careful examination of the other systems of philosophy propounded in that canto shows that there are many truly ancient doctrines in it which would not be easy to explain on the basis of a late date such as the sixth century A. D. See S. S. Suryanarayana Sastri, JIII, viri and ix.

I have my own doubts if Canto xxix does not bear signs of a remodelling.

† See Geiger's Mahāvamsa chh. xxi-xxv for the narrative. Geiger thinks that 'Cōla-country' means 'Southern India.' (Trans. p. 143 n. 4). This is unnecessary and seems to go against the precise expressions in the original, like Cōla-rattha (xxi 13) and dakhinam Madhuram puram Pāndu-rājassa (vii, 50), besides the common form Damila employed of both countries. Further, the story of the justice done by the king to the cow that lost its calf narrated of Elara in

justice of his rule, and among them is that of the king sentencing his only son to death for having unwittingly caused the death of a young calf by driving the wheel of his chariot over its neck. Though not a follower of the Buddha's creed, this king lived on friendly terms with the Buddhist bhil:kus * of his realm, and his rule, so long as it lasted, was in every way acceptable to his subjects. His rule was confined to the northernmost section of the island and the Mahaganga, now Mahawaeliganga, was its southern limit. † Then began a war between Elāra and Dutthagāmaņi, so called because he was wroth with his father who stood in the way of his fighting the Damilas; the object of Dutthagamani in undertaking this war was twofold: to restore the political unity of Ceylon and to bring glory to the doctrine of the Buddha by driving out the Damilas addicted to false beliefs. The details of the campaign that followed are very clearly recorded in the Mahāvamsa; # success attended the arms of Dutthagamani, and his conquered foe was pursued up to the vicinity of Amiradhapura, and Elara met his death in a heroic combat with Dutthagamani beneath the walls of that city. Then Dutthagāmaņi marched into the city, "and when he had summoned the people from a yojana around, he celebrated the funeral rites for king Elara. On the spot where his body had fallen, he burned it with the catafalque,

the MV, is localised at Tiruvārūr on the continent, and there is a stone monument in that place representing the central incident of the story. See Epigr. Zeylanica iii pp. 1-47 for the chronology of the MV. "The length of Elāra's reign may be accepted as correct," ibid p. 5 n. 1.

^{*} MV. xxi, 21-6.

⁺ MV. xxii 86 and xxiv 4.

[‡] Geiger-transl. pp. 290-1 gives a lucid account of the details of the war. On one occasion seven Damila princes were defeated in one day (xxv 10), and altogether thirty-two princes are said to have been thus overpowered in the war (ibid. 75). They were probably all commanders of Elara's forces which garrisoned many fortresses on the frontier and elsewhere.

and there did he build a monument and ordain worship." And even in the days of Mahānāman, the author of this part of the Mahāvamsa, in the sixth century A. D., the princes of Lanka, when they drew near to that place, were wont to silence their music, because of this worship. Of these transactions that loom so large in the early history of Ceylon, there is no trace in Tamil literature * apart from the legend of the prince and the calf which is placed in the reign of Manu. We therefore lack all means of judging the extent to which the fortunes of the Cōla monarchs of the mainland were involved in the establishment and the overthrow of Elāra's power in Ceylon.

^{*} See JRAS. 1913, pp. 529-31. Some vague popular legends connect the poet of the Kural, Tiruvalluvar, with a merchant prince, Elela Singa, (V.R.R. Dikshitar-Studies in Tamil Literature and History-pp. 129 ff.), but no one knows where these come from, and they lack all claim to credence and can furnish no basis for a date for Tiruvalluvar. For other instances of Tamil influence in Ceylon, not specially known to be Cōla, see MV. xxi 10, Sena and Guttaka; xxxiii 56, Pulattha and others; xxxiv, 19 ff. for the infamous career of Anula-dēvi who made over the country to a succession of her Tamil paramours.

CHAPTER III

THE COLAS IN EARLY TAMIL LITERATURE

The earliest Cola kings of whom we have tangible evidence are those mentioned in the Nature of the Early Sangam literature. Scholars are now Literature. generally agreed that this literature belongs to the first few centuries of the Christian era. * The internal chronology of this literature is still far from settled, and this remains at present an insuperable obstacle in the way of giving a connected account of the history of the period. We gather the names of kings and princes, and of the poets who extolled them; we also learn much of uncommon interest about the life and work of the people. Some of the kings, we can see, were men of real distinction with a good title to fame; and the poets were often great artists who could add beauty to truth in the manner of their expression. this body of early Tamil literature, the individuals depicted stand out in bold relief and their characteristic traits are most unmistakably revealed to us; it is thus all the greater pity, that we cannot work it into a connected history. We shall see that when the chronology becomes firm, with the Colas of the Vijayalava line. literature loses its early qualities of realism and strength, and lapses, particularly in the delineation of persons, into the easy devices of court poetry.

Two names stand out prominently from among those of the Cola kings known to the Sangam literature; and their memory is cherished in song and legend by a loving posterity; they are those of Karikāla and Koccengaṇān. There is

^{*} There are still some who do not accept this view. See, however, PK. pp. 16 ff. and Studies, pp. 1-18 and 70-2.

no sure means of settling the order of their succession, of fixing their relations with one another and with many other princes and princelings of about the same period. If Puhār or Kāvirippūmpaṭṭinam rose in importance only in the time of Karikāla, * then the civil strife between the two branches of the Cōlas, one of them apparently stationed at Uṛaiyūr and the other at Puhār, may be taken to fall in the period subsequent to the rule of Karikāla. In any event, this strife between the rival branches of the royal family appears to have been a constant factor in the annals of the Cōlas of the Śangam age. Even Karikāla, the most illustrious among them, had his own troubles in the beginning. †

* This is how the obscure line pirangu-nilai-māḍattu-urandai-pōkki (l. 285) of the Paṭṭinappālai has been generally understood by modern writers. But under the name of Kākandi (Maṇimōkalai-xxii, l. 37) the city seems to have had great celebrity from very early times. Cf. n 2 at p. 561 of Paṭtuppāṭṭu * (1931). A nur Sōmā from this place seems to be mentioned in the Barhut inscriptions of the second century B. C. (Luders, No. 817). The Śilappadikāram gives a legend of the foundation of Uṣayūr (Kōḥ) being due to a cock (kōḥ) winning in a fight against an elephant on the spot, x ll. 247-8.

+ Kanakasabhai's work The Tamils Eighteen Hundred Years Ago (1904) remains still invaluable in many respects. But working solely upon mss. of work: little understood at the time, he succumbed to a natural temptation to formulate conclusions on material that had not been subjected to any proper criticism. Pandit M. Raghava Aivangar (Stran-Senguttuvan, ed. 2, pp. 106-7 n) raises several valid objections to Kanakasabhai's scheme of genealogy of the Ceras and the Colas. But the Pandit's own scheme of Cola genealogy (ibid. p. 103) is not altogether free from uncertainties, though it must be admitted that it is the best among those put forward so far. That Karikala had two sons Manakkilli and Peru-Virag-Killi; that Nedungilli was the brother of Nagconai, and that these were the children of Manakkilli, and that Pernnagkilli of Rajasuyam fame (Puram 16) was the son of Nedungilli and identical with the prince who sought refuge with Malaiyaman Tirumudikkari (Puram 174), that Killi Valavan (of the Manimekalai, and Nalangilli (the foe of Nedungilli) were the sons of Virar-Killi, all these statements are based on assumptions which, however plausible, seem to lack positive evidence. Again, it appears unlikely that the same prince, Irayasuyam-Vētta Perunarkkilli, was aided on the same occasion both by Senguttuva and Malaiyaman Tirumudikkari; there is nothing in the language of Silapp. xxvii 11. 118-23 and Puram 174 to suggest such an identification; on the other hand there is something to differentiate the two.

Before we proceed to discuss the kings of the Śangam Age, some attention may be Myths. given to the legends about the mythical Cola kings known to this literature. The Colas were even then looked upon as descended from the sun *-a fact that received elaborate emphasis in later times in the long mythical genealogies incorporated in copperplate charters of the tenth and eleventh centuries, in the Kanyākumāri stone inscription of Vīrarājēndra, and in literary works like the Kilingattupparani and the Vikramaśōlan Ulā. Coeval with Agastya and Paraśurāma was king Kāntan, whose devotion to the former brought the river Kaveri into existence, † and who at the bidding of Parvati (Kanni) entrusted his kingdom for a time to his illegitimate son Kakandan, in order to escape the fury of Parasurama, who waged relentless war against all Ksatriyas. # He ruled from Campa, later on called Kākandi, Puhār and Kāvirippūmpattinam. Another legendary hero was Tüngeyilerinda-todittöt-cembiyan, who destroyed some mysterious flying fortress of the Asuras & and also instituted in Puhar, at the instance of Agastya, an annual festival to Indra of the duration of twenty-eight days. ¶ The story of the king who sentenced his son to death for having killed a calf by rash driving | and that of another who rescued the dove from the hawk, but not the names of Manu and Sibi, are known ** to this

^{*} Manimēkalai: šengadirc-celvan tirukkulam, Padigam, 1. 9, Šil. vii-27; xxix 11. 1-2.

⁺ Mani., Padigam, Il. 10-2.

¹ Mani. xxii 11. 25-37.

[§] Puram 39 and the references quoted thereunder. This recalls the Tripura-samhara of Siva.

[¶] Mani. i, ll. 1-9.

Mani xxii 1. 210 and n. It should be observed that this story does not occur in the earlier anthologies.

^{**} Puram 37 11. 5-6 and n.

early literature. The king of the bird-story is, however, once called Sembiyan. * Some of these legends, like the story of the calf and the prince, † the origin of the Kāvēri and the institution of the festival to Indra, are not found in the anthologies of the Sangam, and make their appearance for the first time in the twin epics of the Silappadikāram and the Maņimēkalai which may, at the earliest, be dated some generations subsequent to the reign of Karikāla.

Karikāla, the greatest among the Colas of the Śangam age, was the son of Ilanjētcenni Karıkāla. distinguished for the beauty of his numerous war-chariots. # Karikālan means 'the man with the charred leg,' and the name perpetuated the memory of a fire-accident in the early years of the prince's life; § in later times, under Sanskritic influences, the name was explained as 'Death (kūla) to kali' or 'Death to (enemies') elephants.' Karikāla was deprived of his birth-right and confined Accession. in a prison by his enemies for some years. The plucky manner in which he effected his escape and established himself in power is a favourite theme with the poets. ¶

"Like the tiger cub with its sharp claws and its curved stripes growing (strong) within the cage, his strength came to maturity (like wood in grain) while he was in the bondage of his

^{*} ibid, 1, 6,

[†] This story is localised at Tiruvarur by the Periyapuranam, a work of the twelfth century A. D.

^{† &#}x27;Uruvappahrēr.' Paraņar (Puram 4) and Perungungur Kijār (Puram 266) celebrated him. Line 130 of the Porunar-arguspadai gives his relationship with Karikāla.

[§] Verse 3, end of Porunar-arruppadai.

[¶] Pattinappālai il. 220-228 and Porunar. Il. 131 ff. — translated below. A veņbā in the Palamoli says that a certain Pidarttalai rendered much help to Karikāla.

enemies. As the large-trunked elephant pulls down the banks of the pit (in which it has been caught) and effects its escape by filling in the pit, and joins its mate, even so after deep and careful consideration, he drew his sword, effected his escape by overpowering the strong guard (of his prison), and attained his glorious heritage in due course."

Again,

"This lord, dreaded by his enemies like Murugan's anger, inherited the throne from his mother's womb; * he forced his enemies to do his behests, and filled with uneasiness the lands of those that did not submit; like the young sun spreading the rays of dawn on the ocean before rising in the sky, so from the day he began to crawl as a baby, he bore on his shoulders his excellent country, and daily increased its prosperity. As the fierce whelp of the lion, proud of its strength greater than that of Death, while it has not yet given up sucking the breast of its dam, quickly kills the elephant in its first hunt for food,"

so 'Karikāla-Cōļa with the garland of ār pleasing to the eyes' fought a great battle at Veṇṇi in which the Pāṇḍya and the Cēra both suffered a crushing defeat. †

Venni, a village fifteen miles to the east of Tanjore. Though we know very little of the circumstances that led to this battle, there can be no doubt that it marked the turning point in Karikāla's career; for in this battle he seems to have broken the back of a widespread confederacy formed against him. Besides the two crowned kings of the Pāṇḍya and Cēra countries, eleven minor chieftains took their side in the campaign

^{*} Naccinārkkiniyar explains this by an absurd story. This means, apparently, that he did not come of the direct male line of the Colas, a fact which may account both for his early troubles and for his father's name—Raiyon, 'prince,' Contra Dr. S. K. Aiyangar, Ancient India p. 92.

[†] The text has: iru-peru vēndarum oru kaļat-taviya (146, Porunar). Naccinārkkiniyar takes this to mean that they died (paqumpaqi); but the Cēra, we know, sustained a wound in his back, and committed suicide by the process of slow starvation - Vaqakkiruttal, on which see Puram 65 ll. 9-11 and Pandit V. Svaminatha Aiyar's n. thereunder. Also Studies p. 20 and n.

and shared the defeat at the hands of Karikāla. * Much sympathy was felt for the Cēra king, who was wounded at his back, the last disgrace that could befall a soldier on the battle-field, and who expiated his cowardice by committing suicide; † this is how one of Karikāla's own friends, the poet Vennikuyattiyār, possibly a resident of Venni and an eye-witness to the battle, addresses the monarch: ‡

"Oh! descendant of that warrior who, sailing on the wide ocean, compelled the winds to fill the sails of his ships! § Oh, Karikāl-vaļava, lord of mighty elephants! By this victory thou hast displayed the greatness of thy valour which faced the fight and carried it to success. Is not he even nobler than thee,—he, who, after attaining great celebrity in the world, feels now the shame of a wound in his back, and starves himself to death on the plain of Venni watered by the freshes (of the Kāvēri)?"

reign which established him firmly on his throne and secured for him some sort of hegemony among the 'three crowned monarchs' of the Tamil land, there was no lack of other opportunities for the exercise of his arms. He defeated a confederacy of nine minor chieftains in a battle at Vākaipparandalai: Paraṇar, a contemporary both of Karikāla and his father, mentions this fact, ¶ but tells us nothing of the cause of the battle or of the enemies of Karikāla. The poet of the Paṭṭinappālai describes fully the destruction carried by the forces of Karikāla into the

^{*} Aham 55, 246; also Puram 65, 66.

t' Vāļ-vadakkirundanan' (Puṇam 65, l. 11) does not seem to mean that the king cut his throat with a sword (P. T. Srinivasa Aiyangai T. mils p. 336) but that he held a sword while starving, to indicate the cause of his action-vāļodu vadakkirundān (comm.)

[‡] I may say once for all that in the translations that follow, I have made use of all existing translations—Kanakasabhai, Pope, P. T Srinivasa Aiyangar.

[§] A reference to another legendary Cola king.

[¶] Aham 125.

territories of his enemies and the awe inspired by his deeds of valour, * and adds that as a result of his campaigns 'the numerous Oliver submitted

paigns, 'the numerous Olivar submitted Conquests. to him, the ancient Aruvalar carried out his commands, the Northerners lost splendour, and the Westerners were depressed; conscious of the might of his large army ready to shatter the fortresses of enemy kings, (Karikāla) turned his flushed look of anger against the Pandya whose strength gave way; the line of low herdsmen was brought to an end, and the family of Irungovel was uprooted.' If we disregard the vague statements about Northerners and Westerners in these lines from the Pattinappālai, we see that for all his heroism on the battle-field Karikāla's permanent conquests did not extend much beyond the land of the The Arnvalar were the inhabitants of the Arnvanad which comprised the lower valley of the Pennar, just north of the Kaveri delta country. The Olivar were perhaps some nomadic tribe of naga extraction, whom Karikala converted to a settled life. † The description of Kavirip-pumpattinam and its foreshore, which takes up so much of the Pattinappālai, gives a vivid idea of the state of industry and commerce under Karikāla who is said to have promoted the reclamation and settlement of forest land and added to the prosperity of the country by multiplying irrigation tanks. ‡

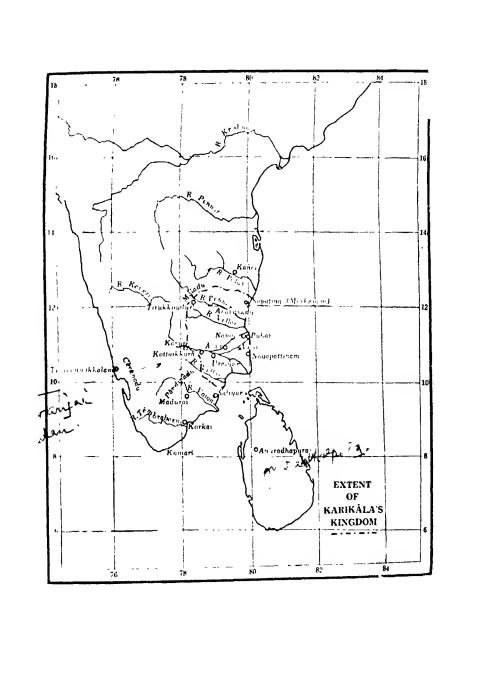
Of Karikāla's personal life we hear next to nothing.

While Uruttirangaṇṇanār, the anthor of the Pattinappālai, tells us vaguely

^{* 11. 228-73;} the following lines 274-82 are translated here.

[†] Aham 141-selkudi nigutta perumbeyark-Karikal. This poem has been misunderstood as containing a reference to the Kugumbar.

[‡] Kādu kongu nādākki kuļandottu vaļam-berukki-i.e. destroying forests to extend the inhabited country, and digging tanks to improve fertility. Pattinappūlai Il. 283-4.



that he enjoyed the society of women and children, * the late annotator Naccinārkkiniyar, possibly reproducing a correct tradition, states that Karikāla took to wife a Vēļir girl from Nāngūr, † a place celebrated in the poems of Tirumangai Āļvār for the heroism of its warriors. A daughter of Karikāla, Ādimandi by name, is the subject of many poems. She lost her husband, a Cēra prince, by name Āṭṭan Atti, who was drowned in the Kāvēri, but subsequently, by the power of her chastity, she is said to have brought him back to life. ‡

Karikāla's faith in the Vedic religion and the poignancy of the grief caused by his death find moving expression in the following lines of Karungulal-Ādanār: §

"He who stormed his enemies' forts dauntlessly; who feasted his minstrels and their families and treated them to endless draughts of toddy; who, in the assembly of Brahmans noted for knowledge of dharma and purity of life, guided by priests learned in their duties and attended by his noble and virtuous queen, performed the vedic sacrifice in which the tall sacrificial post stood on a bird-like platform (garudacayana), within the sacrificial court surrounded by a high wall with round bastions; he, the great and wise king alas! is no more! Poor indeed is this world which has lost him. Like the branches of the vēngai tree, which stand bare, when their bright foliage has been cut down by shepherds eager to feed their cattle in the fierce summer, are his fair queens, who have cast off their jewels."

From very early times Karikāla became the centre of many myths which, in modern times, have often been accepted as serious history. The Śilappadikāram which, with studied

^{*} ibid 11. 295-9

[†] Talkāppiyam. Poruļ. Aha. 30.

[#] Sil. xxi ll. 11 ff, and n.

[§] Pugam 224.

fairness attributes to each of the three Tamil monarchies some conspicuous success against northern Aryan kings, gives a glorious account of the northern expedition of Karikāla * which took him as far as the Himalayas and gained for him the alliance or subjection of the kings of the Vajra, Magadha and Avanti countries. The raising of the flood-banks of the Kaveri by Karikāla seems to be first mentioned by the Malēpādu plates of Puņyakumāra, † a Telugu-Coda king of the seventh or eighth century. Nothing can be more typical of the manner in which legends grow than the way in which this story mingles with another stream of legend centring round Trinetra Pallava, and culminates in the celebrated jingle of the late Telugu-Coda plates: carana-saroruha rihata - vilocana - pallaratrilocana - pramukhā-khila - prithivīšvara - kārita - kāvērītīra, ‡ which has been made the basis of conclusions of the highest importance to the chronology of Early South Indian History. The choice of Karikala to the Cola throne by a state elephant which was let loose for the purpose from Kalumalam and which discovered him at Karūr, and his conquest of Kāñcī and settlement of agrarian colonies in the Tondaimandalam are other elements in the Karikāla legends that can find no support from the earliest authorities on his reign. It would seem that the Toudai-nad was ruled by Tondaiman Ilandiraiyan in the days of Karikala; and there is no satisfactory evidence in support of the suggestion that has been made that this chieftain was

^{*} Sil. v. 11. 89-110.

[†] Kavēra—tanayā—vēlollanghana—prasamana—pramukliā—dyanēkātišayakāriņah * * Karikālasya, El. xi—No. 35, ll. 3.5.

^{‡ &}quot;He who caused the banks of the Kaveri to be constructed by all the (subordinate) kings led by the Pallava Trinetra whose third eye was blinded by his lotus foot."

the grandson of Karikāla, or, at least, a viceroy appointed by him after his conquest of Kāñcī. *

We now pass on to Nalangilli and his rival Nedungilli who, judging from the civil war between them which lasted till the death of Nedungilli † at the Kāriyāru, must have belonged to rival branches of the Cōla family which ruled with Puliār and Uraiyūr for their respective centres. Nalangilli had a younger brother, Māvalattān; and his memory is preserved to us by the poet Tāmappal-kannanār who, when Māvalattān lost his temper in a game of dice and hit him with a die, so rebuked him that later he felt the need for an apology and composed a short poem, ‡ which is the only relic of this inflammable princeling and his boon-companion, the Brahman poet of Dāmal. §

The Manimekalai mentions a great battle at the Kāriyāru in which the Pāṇḍya and the Cēra were defeated by a junior prince (Ilangōn) of the Cōla family in the reign of Māvaṇkilli, also called Neḍumuḍik-killi and Killivalavan in this poem. This battle has been identified with the one in which Neḍungilli met his fate and the civil strife came to an end; # from this the inference has been drawn that the Ilangōn of the Maṇimēkalai was no other than Nalangilli, and that Nalangilli was the younger brother of Neḍumuḍik-killi:

^{*} See Studies, essay II, for a full discussion of these points.

[†] Though Nedungilli figures without any attribute in some colophons, there is nothing to prevent his being identified with the king who died at the Kāriyāgu.

[‡] Puram 43.

[§] Puranunuru Introdn. pp. 39-40.

[¶] xix, 11. 125-7.

Pandit M. Raghava Aiyangar op. cit. pp. 101-2.

some writers go further and argue that because Nalangilli is called Sctcenni-Nalangilli, * he may be a grandson of Ilanjetcenni, the father of Karikala, with the result that Nedumudik-killi, Nalangilli and Māvalattān turn out to be three sons of Karikāla. But there is nothing except the name in favour of identifying the two references to the Kāriyāru in the Puranānāru and the Manimekalai; nothing is known of the circumstances of Nedungilli's death at the Kāriyāru, a fact which finds only the most casual mention in the colophon to Puram 47; we are to infer from this that as there was a civil war between Nalangilli and Nedungilli, a fight at the Kāriyāru might, by proving fatal to the latter, have closed the strife. On the contrary, the battle of the Kāriyāru described, though briefly, yet with considerable vividness, in the Manimekalai, appears as a first-class event in the foreign relations of the Cola kingdom, and not as a petty fight incidental to a quarrel among blood relations; and there is no suggestion in the context that the Cera and the Pandya were, on that occasion, engaged in aiding one Cola prince against another. The last argument adduced from the name Setcenni-Nalangilli is not without force, and it appears quite likely that he and Māvalattān were the sons of Karikāla.

Nalangilli forms the subject of no fewer than fourteen pieces in the Puṇanānūṇu, and
Kovūr-Kilār, who contributes half the
number implies that the king enjoyed, like Karikāla
himself, a sort of vague hegemony among the Tamil
states, and sings with intelligible exaggeration: †

"As true wealth and happiness are seen to follow in the wake of virtue, so the two umbrellas (of the rivals Pāṇḍya and Cēra) follow thy peerless umbrella which is raised aloft,

^{*} Puram 27, 1. 10.

[†] Puram 31; Kanak. p. 73.

resplendent in the sky, like the full-moon. Ambitious of fair fame thou wouldst stay nowhere but in thy victorious camp. Thy elephants chafe, whose tusks are blunt with battering the walls of thy enemies' forts. Eager for fight, thy soldiers who wear anklets, make nothing of marching through wide stretches of forests to reach the enemy country. Thy war steeds starting from the Eastern sea stay not till the waves of the Western ocean wash their hoofs; in fine, the kings of the North keep watch with sleepless eyes as they dread the possibility of thy marching against them."

The poet who praised his lord with such strident notes was no base sycophant. In striking contrast with the foregoing, is the moving exhortation to peace addressed to the king when he was besieging Uraiyūr in order to reduce Nedungilli to submission: *

"He does not wear the white flower of the palm. He does not wear the garland of the dark-boughed margosa. Thy garland is a wreath of the ar, and so is that of him who wages war with thee. If either of you loses the battle, it is your house that loses; in the nature of things, it is impossible that both of you win. Your action, therefore, forebodes no good to your race; this strife will rejoice other kings who, like you, ride on pennoned chariots."

This noble advice of the poet would seem to have fallen on deaf ears; for, as we have seen, the epithet $K\bar{a}riy\bar{a}rrut-tu\bar{n}jiya$ applied to Nedungilli seems to imply that the war came to an end only with his death.

Nalangilli, like several other princes of the age, cultivated literature himself, and of the two poems preserved from among his compositions, one takes the form of an uncanny oath in the following terms: †

"If gently approaching my feet, one prays for a favour, I shall grant him with pleasure my ancient kingdom, nay, I shall

^{*} Puram 45; Kanak, p. 73. The palm and the margosa were respectively the Cera and Pandya emblems.

[†] Puram 73; Kanak. pp. 74-5.

give my life for his sake. If, like a blind man who stumbles on a tiger sleeping in the open, one is so foolish as to slight my strength and oppose my will, he shall hardly escape with his life. If I do not advance to the fight and cause (my foes) to suffer like the long-stemmed bamboo trampled under foot by a huge elephant, may my garland be crumpled in the wanton embraces of dark-haired harlots, who can never love with a pure heart."

That Kāvirip-pūmpaṭṭinam with its extensive trade was in Nalangiḷḷi's possession, * and that Vedic sacrifices were common in his reign † are facts well attested by our sources. There is a poignant note of melancholy in some of the poems on Nalangiḷḷi ‡ composed by Uraiyūr Mudukaṇṇan Śāttanār, and it is not easy to decide if this is due to the poet's own temperament or to the incidents of the civil strife. It would appear that Nalangiḷḷi died at a place called Havandigaip-paḷḷi. §

Nedungilli, the opponent of Nalangilli in the civil war, is addressed in two poems by Kōvūr-Kilār, the author of the exhortation addressed to both of them to cease from their strife. These poems add a little to our knowledge of the occurrences in the war. One of them mentions that Nedungilli was once shut up in Āvūr which, like Uraiyūr, was beset by the forces of Nalangilli. The poem gives a graphic description of the effects of the siege:

"The male elephants, not led out to bathe with the female herd in the large tanks (outside the fort), nor fed with balls of rice mixed with ghee, chafe at the posts to which they are chained, heave long sighs, and with their trunks rolling on

^{*} Puzam 30 ll. 10-12.

⁺ ibid 400, l. 19.

i bid 27, 29.

[§] Col. to Puram 61 where he is called Nalangilli Setcenni.

[¶] Puram 44. Kanak. pp. 73-4.

the ground, trumpet loudly like thunder. Children cry for want of milk, the women plait their hair without flowers, the mansions of the city resound with the cries of people wailing for want of water. It is not possible to hold out any more here, thou, master of fleet steeds! If thou wouldst be kind, open the gates (to the enemy) saying, 'This is yours;' if thou wouldst be heroic, open the gates and lead thy soldiers out to victory; to be neither the one nor the other, to close the strong gates of the fort, and to shut yourself up in a corner behind the high walls, this, when one thinks of it, is shameful indeed!"

Nedungilli, then, had ambition without courage, and brought much suffering on himself and his subjects by his pusillanimity. Like all cowards, he seems to have lived in constant dread of treachery and foul play. When he was besieged at Uraiyūr, a minstrel, llandattan by name, who had entered Uraiyūr from the camp of Nalangilli, was taken to be a spy, and was about to be killed when Kōvūr-Kilār put in a successful plea for his life being spared. The short poem is a fine picture of bardic life in the Śangam age: *

"They fly like birds and traverse many a long and arid route in search of patrons, and with untutored tongue, sing their praises; pleased with what they get they feast their train, eat without saving, give without stinting, and pine only for honour. Such is their living which depends on the free gifts (of patrons). Does this ever hurt others? No, to be sure. Only, they exult in their triumphs over rival bards, and when their rivals' faces are cast down, then do they walk proudly, and are well pleased; they have thus a primacy of their own, not less than persons who, like you, have attained to the rulership of the earth."

Close to Nalangilli and Nedungilli in time, because the same poets are found composing poems in their praise, was Killivalavan who died at Kulamurram. Another Killivalavan, the subject of a single poem of Kövür-Kilär, † is said to

^{*} Puram 47. Kanakasabhai, 73.

[†] Puram 373.

have died at Kurāp-palli. It has been suggested that these two kings are identical, * and if that be so, this poem of Kovūr-Kilar composed after the king had captured Karuyūr, depicts a later stage in his Cēra war than another † poem by Alattur Kilar, which describes Karuvūr still in a state of siege. Killivalavan is celebrated in eighteen sougs by ten different minstrels, and himself figures as the author of a poem in praise of his friend Pannan, ‡ the lord of Sigukudi. He ruled with Uraiyūr as his capital. § "This king, who (we may infer) possessed considerable ability, was both brave and generous, but somewhat headstrong. Hence a great deal of good advice is, in a very tactful way, offered to him by the minstrels; and he seems to have been all the better for it." The following lines are by Vellaikkudi-nākanar, ¶ who was rewarded on the spot by a remission of the arrears due on his lands.

The pleasant Tamil lands possess
For boundary the ocean wide.
The heaven, where tempests loud sway not,
Upon their brow rests as a crown.
Fertile the soil they till, and wide.
Three kings with mighty hosts this land
Divide; but of the three, whose drums
Sound for the battle's angry strife,
Thou art the chief, O mighty one!

Though the resplendent sun in diverse quarters rise; And though the silvery planet to the south decline; Thy land shall flourish, where through channels deep, Kāvēri flows with bright refreshing stream, Along whose banks the sweet cane's white flowers wave Like pennon'd spears uprising from the plain.

^{*} IA. xxix p. 250 n 2. Dr. Pope says that Kurāp-palli is the same as Kulamurram, 'Pavilion by the tank.'

⁺ Puram 36.

¹ Puram 173.

[§] Puram 69, 1, 12.

[¶] IA. xxix pp. 251-2. Puram 35; I have reproduced Pope's translation.

Let me speak out to this rich country's king!

Be easy of access at fitting time, as though

The lord of justice sat to hear, and right decree.

Such kings have rain on their dominions at their will!

The clouds thick gather round the sun, and rest
In vault of heaven:—So let thy canopy

Of state challenge the sky, and spread around

Not gloom, but peaceful shade. Let all thy victories

Be the toiling ploughman's gain.

Kings get the blame, whether rains fail, or copious flow,

And lack the praise: such is the usage of the world.

If thou hast marked and known this well,
Reject the wily counsels of malicious men.
Lighten the load of those who till the soil.
The dwellers in the land protect. If thou do this
Thy stubborn foes shall lowly bend beneath thy feet.

The siege and capture of Karūr, the Cēra capital, was, doubtless, the greatest military achievement of this king, and has called forth a number of poems. Thus Alattūr Kilār made an effort to divert the king's attention from his enterprise and save Karūr from destruction, by gently reproaching him with pitting himself against a foe unworthy of his mettle*:—

Whether thou wilt destroy or wilt release,
'Tis thine to ponder which befits thy name!—
The axe, bright-edged, long-handled, sharp by file
Of smith black-handed, smites the fragrant boughs
Of guardian trees in every park around;
They crashing fall and scatter the white sands
Of An-poruntham's river cool, where sport
The damsels with their golden bracelets gay;
Thro' town, and all the guarded hall are echoes heard,
And yet their king in pleasure slumbers on!
With bow-armed host, thy war-drum sounding loud,
'Twill shame thee to have fought such feeble foes.

'The intercession was unsuccessful; the fair city fell'; and a poetess, Marōkkattu Nappasalaiyar, gave

[.] Puram 36, IA, ibid p. 252.

expression to her grief as follows *:

Thou scion of the Cola Lord who saved The dove from woe,—Chief of the wrathful hosts. Armed with the gleaming darts that work havoc. As when a fiery dragon, angry, fierce,-Bearing five heads, with gleaming poisonous tooth. Has enter'd the vast mountain-cavern, where The golden creepers twine; -and from the sky Fire issues forth and loudest thunderbolt :-Thou saw'st the lordly city old, whose king Was circled round by girded elephants. There in dark deep moat alligators congregate. In the wide waters of the guarded lake Are crocodiles that fierce in fight Dart forth to catch the shadows cast By gleam of watchman's torch at midnight hour. Its walls like burnish'd copper shone. This seemed not fair to thine eyes; for thou didst Work destruction mightily, glorious king!

'The delicate lyric warning against arrogance' addressed to the proud conqueror by Mülam-kilär of Āvūr must have been composed soon after the capitulation of Karuvūr: †

"Thou art the mighty one, who sparing not the guarded fort broke thro' and slew its king and made the yellow gold, erewhile his crown, anklets to grace, O! hero! thy conquering foot,

Thy land is so fertile that a tiny piece thereof, where a she-elephant might rest, can nourish seven lordly elephants.

That we may ever see, as now, the necks of thy traducers bend, and those who laud thee raise their heads, be thou, great king! pleasant of speech, and easy of access."

Kovūr-Kilar also described this event at some length in a poem that has not been preserved in its entirety. ‡

^{*} Puram 37; IA. ibid.

⁺ Puram 40; IA. ibid. 254.

¹ Puram 373.

The poems of the Purananuru are silent on the relations between Killivalavan and his southern neighbour the Pandya; but a poem of Nakkīrar * in the Ahanānūru makes pointed reference to a defeat sustained by the forces of a Killivalavan under the walls of Madura at the hands of the Pandya commanderin-chief, Palaiyan Maran. In the absence of any indication to the contrary, we may assume that the king whose defeat is alluded to by Nakkīrar was the one that died at Kulamurram. † Killivalavan evidently waged war in another direction against the Malaiyaman chieftain of Maladu, a district on the banks of the Pennār which had Tirukkōyilūr for its centre. Though we cannot be quite certain of it, the Malaiyaman against whom this expedition was directed seems to have been Malaiyaman Tirumudik-kari who is celebrated in several poems of the Puram by Kapilar and

* Aham 345.

[†] This identification was first suggested by Kanakasabhai, p. 76. But I am unable to follow him in identifying this king further with: (a) Valavankilli who was 'mailtunan' to the Cera king Senguttuvan, and was established on the Cola throne by the latter after suppressing, in the battle of Nerivayil, a rebellion in which nine princes of the blood royal had taken part (p. 75); and (b) the Cola king of the Manimikalai and the father of Udayakumaran (p. 77). It is not certain that the twin Epics of the Anklet and the Jewel-belt relate to the same period of time as the poems of the Purandnuru and the other anthologies, and it is not clear how far the incidents mentioned in the epics may be treated as historical, and not simply meant to furnish a familiar background to a romantic story; there is, above all, a total lack of correspondence in the facts relating to the different kings whom Kanakasabhai proposes to identify. The phrase 'maittuna-valavankilli' of the Silappadikāram (xxvii-l. 118) is not the same as 'Kıllivalavan,' and as there is nothing in the numerous poems of the Puram to suggest that the latter's succession to the throne was disputed, we must be slow to accept the identification in this case. It must also be observed that, as Pandit M. Raghava Aiyangar, (op. cit. p. 33) points out, the Cola contemporary of Senguttuvan was according to the Silappadikāram, Perungilli, whom Adiyārkkunallār calls Perunarkilli; and the Pandit himself identifies him with Rajasuyam-vetta Perunagkilli, and this, in itself, is really more plausible than the suggestion of Kanakasabhai. The absence of all mention of a fight at the Kariyaru or a combination of the Pandya and the Cera against Kulamurrattu-tuñjiya Killivalavan, taken along with the positive references to his siege and capture of Vanji and his defeat at Madura, all of which are admitted by Kanakasabhai, is fatal to his other proposition. See also P. T. Srinivasa Aiyangar History of the Tamils pp. 430-31.

Mārōkkattu Nappasalaiyār for the liberal patronage he extended to the minstrels, a trait which is emphasised also by Kōvūr-Kiļār in the following poem by which he succeeded in releasing the children of the Malaiyamān from a cruel death to which the victorious Cōļa monarch had condemned them:*

"Thou art of the royal line of him who saved the dove from affliction and many another sufferer;

These are children of the race that, in their concern for the learned, share their food with them and save them from want, and under whose fostering care men lead happy lives;

See these little innocents, how first they stood fearing the sight of thine elephants; then, forgetting that, were daunted by the aspect of thy hall; and now stand trembling with troubles ever new!

Hear me, and then follow the promptings of thine own desire !"

A panegyric by Mārōkkattu Nappaśalaiyār applauds in equal measure and with much art the generosity, justice and heroism of this king. †

"Descendant of him who to save a dove from grief entered the balance whose beam was tipped with the carved white tusk of the heavy-footed elephant! Giving in grace was born with thee, and is not thy peculiar praise.

And, when one ponders how thy sires of old destroyed the mighty fort suspended in the sky which foes dreaded to approach,—to slay thy foes is not thy peculiar praise!

And since the council of Uraiyūr, impregnable city of the valiant Śolar, is the home of Equity;—Justice is not thy peculiar praise!

O Valavan, swift horseman, whose stout arms are like fortress-bars, whose wreath attracts every eye, how then shall I sing thy praises?

[·] Pugam 46; IA. xxix p. 256.

⁺ Puzam 39; IA. xxix pp. 253-4.

How shall I tell of thy glorious prowess that withered the fadeless Vañji, destroying the Cëran king with his mighty chariot cunningly wrought, who planted his guarded bow-banner on the immeasurably lofty gold-tipped peaks of Himalaya."

Two short odes on the death of the king, though they reveal nothing of the identity of Kulamurram where he died or of the circumstances attending his death, are noteworthy for the quaintness of their conceits. One of them is by the gifted poetess, Mārōkkattu Nappasalai: *

If in his mind against thee he were wroth,
Or if in outward act he showed his rage,
Or if he touched thee with afflictive hand,
Thou couldst not have escaped, O Death!
Thou took'st great Valavan, entreating him,
Like minstrels, bowing low, with suppliant hand,
Praising, thou didst bear off his life,
Leader of hosts that crowd the glorious field,
Crowned with gold wreath, Lord of the mighty car!

The other, by Māśāttanār of Āduturai, though somewhat commonplace, as observed by Dr. Pope, still does not lack power: †

Death! Right silly art thou, ruthless one:
Through lack of sense thou eat'st thine own seed-corn!
Thou yet shalt see the truth of what I say.
Warriors with gleaming swords, and elephant and horse
Fell on the battle-plain that flowed with blood;
Daily he was insatiate, slew his foes,
And fed thine hunger! Like thyself a strengh
He had that knew no ruth nor vengeance feared.
This Valavan who wore great golden ornaments.
Whose flowery garland swarmed with humming bees,
Since thou hast borne away,—who shall appease thine hunger now?

Puram 226; IA. xxix 283.

⁺ Puram 227; IA. xxix 284.

Another renowned Cola king of the time was Köppernnjölan who also ruled from Kopperunjolan. Uraiyūr. Himself a poet, * he was an intimate friend of two poets-Andaiyar of (Irum) Pisir and Pottiyar. Andai (owl) sounds more like a nickname than a name proper †; but the poet is not known by any other name. He was a native of the Pandya country and gave some good counsel ‡ to the king of that country, Arivudai Nambi. Pottiyar was a native of the Cola country and resided at Unaiyur. The intimate friendship between these and Köpperunjolan became a classic example in later literature § like that between Damon and Pythias. Andai was a jolly good fellow and his poems ring with the true enjoyment of life. Asked once why, though old, his hair had not turned grey, he gave the answer:

My years are many, yet my locks not grey: You ask the reason why, 'tis simply this I have a worthy wife, and children too; My servants move obedient to my will; My king does me no evil, aye protects; To crown the whole, around me dwell good men And true, of chastened souls with knowledge filled.

Here is another poem evincing the attachment felt by him to Kopperunjolan, in preference to the king of his native land:

> If you ask us 'who is your king?' Our king is he who To the labourers gives strong palm-wine strained and mellow.

And with the fat of turtle satiates their desire.

[•] Author of Kurundogai Nos. 20, 53, 129, 147.

[†] The grammarians explain it, however, as Adan tandai (Adan's father).

¹ Puram 184.

[§] Parimelalagar on Kural 785; and Naccinarkkiniyar on Tol. Karpu. Su. 52.

[¶] Puram 191; IA. xxviii, p. 30.

Puram 212; IA. ibid.

And fills their mouths with lampreys' rich roast flesh. They leave short toil for feast; the feast prolong! In that good fertile land the minstrels with their kin Find our king the foe of want and hunger's pangs. He is the lord of Köli, the mighty Cöla king. He loves converse with Potti, whose friendship knows no flaw.*

All the day long he laughs with heart right glad!

A beautiful poem † by Pullarrur Eyirriyanar which deprecates civil strife by a fine appeal to the simple parental emotions of the king is the sole relic left to us of what was possibly a serious quarrel between Köpperunjölan and his two sons. By a strange irony of fate, this winsome monarch, who engaged the deepest affection of two poets for life and in death, was unable to compose his differences with his own children. His agnostic utterance on suicide is perhaps sufficient proof that he found in it his last refuge from the troubles of life: ‡

They who have not assured their minds
By the doubt-free vision pure, that aye endures,
Say not, 'shall we do good deeds or shall we not,'
Who hants an elephant may gain an elephant;
Who hants a quail, may come back with empty hand.
Therefore if mon have lofty aspirations,
They must carry them out in successful deeds, and so gain
Enjoyment of the world beyond the reach of sense.
Should this not be theirs, in some future birth they may

| win release.

And if there be no future birth,—yet to found Their fame on earth like Himalaya's lofty peak, And to pass away with body unstained by evil, Is surely asceticism's highest gain.

^{*} A play on words · potti means 'hollow', but there is no hollowness in this Potti.

⁺ Pugam 213; IA. ibid. p. 29.

[‡] Puram 214; IA. xxviii pp. 29-30.

Two other short poems * express the king's eagerness to meet Andai before the end came, as also his quiet confidence that his friend would not fail him. When Andai turned up in good time and joined the king in his resolve to quit the wicked world, Pottiyar evinced † great admiration for the nobility of the king and the wisdom of Andai, and the deepest concern for the country which was losing a monarch whose great qualities captivated the mind of Andai, though he owed him no allegiance. Two short pieces ‡ commemorate the suicide of Andai in the king's company. One of them records that Andai starved himself to death under the shade of a tree in the river-bed. When Pottiyar wanted to follow, the king forbade him asking him to postpone his suicide till after his son had been born, § and Pottiyar had to go back. In the following lines the poet gave vent to his feelings as he returned to Uraivūr : ¶

The keeper who has lost the huge elephant which he [daily supplied

With its ample meal, and tended for many a year,
Is sad as he surveys the vacant pillar where it stood.
And weeps. Even so, did I not grieve when I beheld
The courtyard in the ancient town where Killi lived and
[died;

Killi, with wealth of chariots, o'er which waves the [conqueror's wreath?

When, a little later, he visited the spot of the king's death, marked by a stone (nadukal), he was greatly moved by the recollection of his noble traits.

^{*} Puram 215, 216.

[†] Puram 217.

[†] Puram 218, 219.

[§] Paran 222. Apparently this means that persons with enceinte wives were ineligible for vadakkiruttal.

[¶] Puram 220. /4. xxviii p. 32

Puram 221 , IA. ibid.

He had the praises manifold of minstrels whose wants he [relieved;

He was most loving to the dancers who resorted to his [court;

He swayed his sceptre in accordance with the teaching [of the sages;

His friendship had the firmness honoured of the wise; He was gentle to women, brave in the face of the strong; He was the refuge of the spotless learned ones.

Such an one death did not spare, but carried off his [sweet soul.

Therefore, my afflicted kinsfolk, let us Embracing one another join in reviling death. Come, all ye bards, whose words are true! He hath become a pillar planted in the wild, Crowned with imperishable praise! While the wide world in sorrow mourns. Such is the lot of him who was our protector!

Permarkilli must have been a powerful monarch, as he is the only one among the Tamil sovereigns of the Sangam age who performed the Rājasāya: it is likely that the Cēra Māri Venkō and the Pāṇḍya Ugrapperuvaļudi both attended this great inauguration of Permarkilli's rule, and that the fine benediction of Auvaiyār in which she includes all the three was, as suggested by Kanakasabhai, pronounced on this occasion: *

"This heavenlike country with its divisions, whether it is yours or is owned by others who do not go with you but are against you, belongs in truth to the saintly; may yon, in your lifetime, pour out with water flowers and gold into the outstretched hands of the Brahmans; drink of the sweet liquor which your servant maids glittering with jewels hold before you in golden caps, and in your exultation, bestow costly gifts without limit on the needy; only the good deeds that you do now will stand by you at the time of your death. Ye monarchs!

^{*} Puram 367; Kanakasabhai, p. 78.

(lords) of the white umbrella and the pennoned chariot! Seated together, you appear like the three sacred fires which the twiceborn preserve day and night with ceaseless vigilance. Only this can I say: may your days be as many as the stars in the sky or the rain-drops in heavy showers."

Nothing is known of the events of this king's reign. That he had his share of fighting, we may, however, infer from a poem which gives a rather conventional description of the havoc wrought on enemy countries by his forces, * and from the colophon to another poem which mentions a fight between this king and a Cēra Māndarañ-jēral-irumporai, in which the chieftain Tērvanmalaiyan fought on the side of the Cōla king. Neither the friend nor the foe † of the Cōla on this occasion could now be ascertained.

Before giving an account of Kōccengaṇān who was doubtless among the latest, if not the last, of the Cōlas mentioned in Sangam literature, the minor celebrities of the Cōla line may be briefly noticed. It is certain that many of them were petty princelings, members of the ruling family rather than kings themselves. There are two princes of the name Hañjēteenni, distinguished by the epithets Neydalangānal and Seruppāli-yerinda, both of them celebrated by Ūn-podipasungudaiyār, a poet otherwise unknown. The first is said to have distinguished himself by the capture

^{*} Puram 16. P. T. Srinivasa Aiyangar assumes that this poem is an account of a war in which the king "had to defeat recalcitrant Sola princes before bringing the whole of the Sola country under his sway." Tamils p. 432. The other poem mentioned above is Puram 125.

⁺ Pandit V. Swaminatha Aiyar has 'indeed suggested (Aingurunūru-introd. p. 15.) that the Cēra enemy was the same as Yūnaikkaṭcēy-māndarañ-jēral-irumpozai who was defeated and captured by Pāndya Neduñjeliyan, the victor of Talaiyālangānam. Great as is the weight of his authority, I hesitate to follow him here. See, however, Mr. K. V. S. Aiyar, Ancient Dekkhan p. 202.

of Pāmuļūr, a Cēra fortress; * how he earned the prefix to his name, Neydalangānal, is not known. Seruppāļi, overthrown by the second prince, is also only a name. The Cōla Muḍittalaik-kōpperunarkilli (the great good Killi, the king with the crowned head) is remembered by a single poem of Muḍamōśiyār (Mōśi, the Lame), who lived in the part of Uraiyūr known as Ēṇiccēri. The poem † is a fine piece giving expression to the poet's grave concern for the safety of the Cōla who was riding an elephant, which, having suddenly turned mad, was carrying him past Karuvūr. The poet was then in the company of a Cēra prince, and explained to him what was happening before their eyes. The rushing elephant is picturesquely compared to a ship sailing on the high sea.

Perum Tirumāvaļavan, ‡ who died at Kurāppaļļi, was the contemporary and ally of the Pāṇḍya Peruvaļudi who died at Veļļi-yambalam. Kārik-kaṇṇanār of Kāvirip-pūm-paṭṭinam while applauding their alliance, warns them against evil counsellors ever intent on dividing them: §

"Thou art the Lord of the Kāviri and its cool waters; this king is the lion of the warlike race of Pañcavas, who, not disheartened by the death of his elders, valiantly protects his good subjects, like the long shoots of the shady banyan tree, which strike root in the ground and keep the tree alive though the parent trunk is withered; and who, though young, has speedily scattered his enemies like the thunderbolt which smites whole broods of serpents. Thou art the warrior of Urandai, where virtue abides; this king, thinking that paddy and water are cheap, has made himself Lord of the mountain sandal and the

^{*} Puram 203.

⁺ Puram 13.

[†] This king was wrongly identified with Karikala by Kanakasabhai.—See P. T. Srinivasa Aiyangar Tamils, p. 367. n.

[§] Puram 58. Kanakasabhai, 68-9.

sea pearl together with the thundering drums, and rules with mercy Kūdal, the seat of Tamil (learning). Majestic like the two gods standing together, one of whom is white (in complexion) and holds the palm-flag and the other of dark hue carries the wheel, you are now both terrible to your enemies. anything pleasanter than this? Listen, yet, (to my words). May your fame last for ever! May you stand by each other, and if you do not break your friendship, you would not fail to conquer the whole of this sea-girt earth. Therefore, without giving heed to the specious words of thoughtless people which, though they appear good and wise and in keeping with ancient tradition, are intended to break the love that binds your hearts, may your friendship continue exactly as it is to-day! May your lances rise victorious on the bloody field of battle! May the lands of your enemies bear on the peaks of their mountains the crests of the striped tiger and the water carp."

Tiru-māvaļavan had the misfortune of being pilloried in song by an irate poet who was kept waiting too long for a gift. In a song of great power and beauty, * the angry bard proudly declares that his race has a greater regard for the poverty of small discerning chieftains than for the vain pomp of heartless monarchs.

Vēr - pahṛaḍakkaip - peru-vigar(naṛ)k - kiḷḷi is the name of another Cōḷa prince celebrated by Paraṇar and Kaḷāttalaiyār, of the age of Karikāla and his father. Three poems † in the Puṇanānāṇu describe the sad fate of this prince and his Cēra opponent Kuḍakkō Neḍuñ-jēral-Ādan, both of whom fell on the field of battle. Another prince with a strongly marked individuality was Pōrvaik-kōpperunaṛk-kiḷḷi who figures in a dòzen compositions, three of which are short lyrics composed by Nakkaṇṇai, ‡ a lady who appears to liave loved this

^{*} Puram 197.

⁺ Puram 62, 63, 368.

¹ Puram 83, 84, 85.

erratic prince with a real passion. Sattandaiyar, the poet of the remaining three pieces, * celebrates the prince's power as a pugilist and his quickness in taking cities. He also suggests that no love was lost between him and Tittan, who is said to have been his father, and who figures in several poems † in the anthologies as a celebrated king of Uraiyur. Tittan once forced the chieftain Katti and his companion Panan to fall back in disorder after a hasty advance on Uraiyūr. # As this incident is recorded by Paranar, Tittan and his eccentric son must have preceded Karikāla. Tittan had also a daughter Aiyai. § Solan Nallurnttiran and Nambi Nedunjeliyan are represented each by a single poem. The former was a poet himself, and in fact we have no knowledge of him except as an author. A whole section on Mullai, comprising seventeen songs in the anthology called Kalittogai, is said to be his work, and in a short poem in the Purananuru ! he sings his ideal of a felicitous life: to shun misers and seek the company of strong and noble friends. Nambi Neduñjeliyan forms the subject of a fine enlogium || from Pēreyil Muguvalār (the Laughing Man of the Big Fortress),—a poem, remarkable for its fine array of short sentences and its vivid portraits.

The life of Kōccengaṇān, like that of Karikāla, came to gather a haze of legend round itself; and it is necessary to avoid mixing up facts drawn from contemporary sources with the beliefs of later times. A song in the Puranānāru **

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[†] Pugam 80, 352, 395; Ahom 6, 122, 152, 188, 226

¹ Aham 226.

[§] Aham b. Paranai.

Puram 190.

[|] Puram 239.

^{**} Puzam 74.

and the forty verses that constitute the poem Kalarali by Poygaiyar form the earliest evidence on this king's life. The references to him in the hymns of Tirugñanasambandar and Tirumangai Alvar as well as Sundaramurti take us to the next stage in which the emphasis falls on the religious side of the king's life. He figures also in the legendary genealogy of the Cola copperplates of the tenth and eleventh centuries though his place in the list is not the same in all. * It is worth noting that the story which, after the manner of the Jātaka tales of Buddhism, makes a spider of this king in his previous birth is first noticed by Appar and repeated by the Tirnvālangādu plates † of the reign of Rajendra Cola. The Kalingattupparani and the Vikramaśölan-ulā more or less agree with the copperplates, but the main stream of legend flows through the Andādi of Nambi-Āndar-Nambi to the Periga Puragam of Śēkkilār, the ocean in which all the streams of Saivite legend mingle in the Tamil country,

The Kalarali ‡ is a poem of moderate length, giving a somewhat conventional, though occasionally gruesome, description of the battle of Kalamalam, near Karavūr in the Kongu country, § in which Šengaņān defeated and made captive the Cēra king Kaṇaikkāl Irmmporai. The poet Poygai, a friend of the Cēra, placated the Cōla conqueror by singing of his valour in the battle-field and thereby secured the release of the Cēra from captivity. The verse in the

^{*} See Hultzsch's discussion of this point—S//. ii. pp. 152-3, 253, 377-9.

[†] Appar-Kurukkai v. 4, Tiruppäsür-(Tiruttändakam)-v. 6; Also Sundarar Tiruväduturai v. 2. Tiruvälangädu plates-v. 43: lüna-lülünga-bandhah.

[‡] See IA, xviii pp. 259-65 for a translation and critique of the poem by V. Kanakasabhai.

[§] See Stran Sengutturan p. 183. Aham 44 seems to give some details of the events which preceded the battle.

Puranānūru to which reference has already been made purports to have been composed by the Cēra, while still in captivity in the Cōla prison at Knḍavāyirkōṭṭam (West Gate Prison), and makes a sad confession of his cowardice in surviving the disgrace that had befallen him:

"Even a babe that dies, and a mole that is born, though they are not men, are still put to the sword. * Can it be, that such a race gives birth to one who, subjected to misery like a dog held in leash, yet begs for water from his unkindly jailors, and drinks it, in his weakness, to allay the fire in his stomach?"

The story is that he declined to drink the water he had so obtained, and slept away his thirst. † Poygai's successful intercession must have taken place soon after. So far the evidence of contemporary literature. There seems to be nothing incredible in the situation thus depicted. No deep-seated grounds of public policy governed the actions of kings and chieftains in those days, and the relations among them were more or less personal. Nothing seems more natural in such a state of things than for a prince, who fell short of the heroic ideal cherished by his age and who pined in captivity, to obtain his release owing to the intercession of a clever bard who made a subtle appeal to the vanity of the victor by celebrating his success in very glowing terms ‡) Very good reason can be shown for holding that Poygai, the friend of the Cera captive, was no other than the celebrated Vaisnava devotee Poygai-Ālvār.

^{*}The allusion is to a custom by which kings who died a natural death were supposed to secure the virasvarga if their corpses were cut with a sword before their final disposal; cf. Manimikalai, xxiii, 11.11-14.

^{† &#}x27;Tunjiya' in the colophon to this Jugan verse must be taken to mean 'slept,' not 'died', as this is the only way in which it can be reconciled with the colophon to the Kalavali. See Studies pp. 14-16.

[‡] By understanding 'Kanaiyan' in Aham 44 as the abbreviation of Kanaikkālirumpogai, it is possible to avoid much unnecessary confusion. Contra Pandit Anantarama Aiyar, Kalavaļi-introdn. pp. 6-7.

Though we have no contemporary evidence bearing on Kōccengaṇān's religious persuasion, there seems to be little reason to doubt that Tirumangai and Sambandar represent a correct tradition about him in their allusions to his religious zeal. And the probable identity of Poygaiyār of the Kaļavaļi with the Āļvār of the same name strengthens this supposition. * Tirumangai-Āļvār in one of his hymns on Tirunaraiyūr † makes the achievements of Kōccengaṇān and his

^{*} It must, however, he noted here that several scholars of repute are opposed to the identification of the two Poygais, and Pandit E. V. Anantarama Aiyar who is among them proposes to postulate two Senganans as well (see his edn. of the Kalavali-introdn. p. 9). The debate has not been altogether academic, as religion, always an explosive subject, seems somehow to have got mixed up in it. On the strength of data drawn from the Yāppar ungala-virutti, a work of the tenth century A. D. or the eleventh at the latest, Pandit M. Raghava Aiyangar first proposed the identification of Poygai of Sangam fame with the Alvar (The Sen-Tamil Vol. i p. 6; also his Alvarkal Kalanilai 2nd edn. pp. 23ff). The author of the Virutti ouotes a number of verses as those of Povgaiyar, and some of them are from the first Tiruvandadi of the Alvar (see the Virutti pp. 220 where the text seems to he defective, 350 and 459-60); he also counts the poet among the sages whose vision comprised eternity (350). Among the verses quoted in the whole work, however, there is not one from the Kalavali. And Tirumangai's pasuram is silent about Kalumalam and the Kalavali. But considering that the religious hymns of Povgai-Alvar are all, like the Kalavali, in the Venba metre, the presumption arises (especially as there seems to be no essential difference in style between the two) that they are compositions of the same writer. One argument that has been urged against this view is worth serious consideration, and that is the argument that a bhakta like Poygai-Alvar would not have stooped to the base flattery of an earthly monarch; the Alvar himself declares this expressly in his hymns. A complete answer to this position is furnished by the fact that some of the verses quoted in the Yapparungala-virutti and ascribed to the Alvar are on secular subjects and include the praise of kings. We may suppose the Alvar's statements about his exclusive devotion to Visuu to have been made in the later stages of his life when he had found his true self. So that, unless we pit the late traditions of the Guruparamparai regarding his age against the categorical evidence of Gunasagara, the author of the Yapparungala-virutti, it seems necessary to accept the correctness of Pandit Raghava Aiyangar's position. See, on the other side, K. S. Srinivasa Pillai-Tamil Varalaru pp. 176-7, Sentamilecelvi Vol. ii, article on Poygaiyar by Pandit N. M. Venkatasami Nattar, and Kalavali, ed. Pandit Anantarama Aiyar, introduction. The novel suggestion of Paudit Anantarama Aiyar that Senganan, the Saiva nayanar, was different from Koccenganan of the Kalavali is based entirely on the silence of the Periyapuranam on the Kalavali. The Pandit naively discovers another reason in that, according to him, Sekkilar has marked off the nayanar from the other person by calling the former Senganan I!

⁺ Periya Tirumoli VI, 6.

worship at Tirunagaiyur the refrain of his song. Here is no room for doubting that the Alvar was thinking of the great Cola king distinguished for heroism on the field of battle as the Saiva devotee who was reputed to have constructed seventy beautiful shrines to Siva, besides offering worship to Visnu in Tirunaraiyur. His pointed mention of the elephant corps of Senganan's enemy, the cavalry of Senganan himself and the part it played in his wars * is an important link which establishes a connection with the Kalavali, which in like manner states repeatedly that the successes of the Cola king against the Cora elephants was primarily due to the infantry and cavalry in his army. Tirumangai also implies that Senganan's sway extended far outside the Cola country, † that he fought at Alunda, and Venni, and that he killed in fight a chieftain Vilandai Vēļ. In the hymns of Giiānasambandar and Sundaramūrti the great temples to Siva at Ambari Vaigal, and Nannilam are definitely said to have been founded by Senganan. The Anbil plates ‡ of Sundara Cola state generally that Koccenganan built temples to Gaurisa all over the country, while the Tiruvalangadu plates, as we have seen, hint at the spider story. The Anbil plates give the name of Senganan's son, Nalladikkon. It is not till we get to the Periya Purāṇam that the king gets transformed out of recognition and figures as the son of Śubhadeva and Kamalavati, and the founder of Jambukësvara. That Śekkilar's account

^{*} Verse 3 line 3 of the hymn looks almost a copy of the Kalavali, of course allowing for the difference in metre: Kavvai-mākaļirundi venni-yērņa-kaļal-mannar maņimudimēl kākamēņa; also verse 4, 1, 3.

[†] Ten - Tamilan Vadapulakkön Sölan (5); Tennüdan Kudakongan Sölan (6); see vv. 4, 6, 9 of the hymn. Also Pandit Raghava Aiyangar Alvärkal Kälanilai pp. 157s. The VEl of Vilandai might have been a commander on the Cera side.

[‡] Akhila-janapadū-klpta-gauriša-dhāmā (v. 13), El. xv p. 60.

includes the absurd story of the birth of Śengaṇān being delayed by artificial means in order to ensure its taking place at an auspicious moment, is clear proof that we have here a highly embellished account of things long since forgotten. The name Śengaṇān, his birth in the Cōļa family and the foundation of numerous Śiva temples besides the Jambukēśvara are the only elements in Śēkkiļār's narration which indicate the ultimate identity of the Nāyanar.

Before this straggling notice of the early Colas is brought to a close, some attempt must Chronology. be made to fix their age a little more precisely than has been done up to this point. One thing is clear, that these kings are anterior to the earliest time to which we are taken by the existing monuments of the historical period. Though the names of Uraiyūr and Kāvēripatņam still survive, nothing has been discovered yet in these places that furnishes even a trace of their former greatness. * We are left only with the evidence of literature and synchronisms with the history of neighbouring lands. When the suggestion was first made that Gajabahu, the king of Ceylon, who was the contemporary of the Cera Senguttuvan, was no other than Gajabāhu I of the Mahāvamsa, who ruled from A. D. 113 to 135, Dr. Hultzsch entered a caveat, saying: † "With due respect to Mr. Kumaraswami's sagacity, I am not prepared to accept this view, unless the identity of the two Gajabāhus is not only supported by the mere identity of name, but proved by internal reasons, and until the chronology of the earlier history of Ceylon has been subjected to a critical examination." Now, the chronology of

^{*} ARA. 1909-10, pp. 16-17.

[†] SIL ii, p. 378.

Cevlonese history has been the subject of considerable discussion, and as a result, * the dates of the early kings of Ceylon are as well established as can be desired. There is only one Gajabahu in the Ceylon list before the twelfth century, and he ruled from A. D. 173 to 195. † The only question, therefore, is whether the synchronism suggested by the Silappadikāram between Senguttuvan and Gajabahu is to be taken into account, or whether, in view of the romantic and the supernatural elements in that poem, this synchronism must be rejected as untrustworthy. If there were no other factors to be considered, our answer to such a question must remain inconclusive. But there are several important factors which render it difficult, not to say impossible, for anyone to reject the synchronism, and with it the scheme of chronology arising from it.

There is perfect concord between the Sangam anthologies, the notices of South India by classical works of the early centuries of the Christian era, like the *Periplus* and Ptolemy's geography, and the numerous finds of Roman coins of the early Roman Empire in several places in Southern India. This would lead any unbiassed student to the conclusion that the Tamil anthologies were contemporary with the classical works and the Roman coins. ‡

Attention has been drawn already to the occurrence, in the Mahāvamsa account of the early relations between Ceylon and the Tamil country, of names of

^{*} See EZ. in pp. 1-47,

⁺ ibid p. 9, No. 43.

[‡] Periplus and Ptolemy have been noticed above p. 28. Sewell's discussion of the Roman finds in the South in the JRAS. (1904) is still the most comprehensive. Recent studies of the nature and direction of the foreign trade of the Roman Empire tend, as will be seen later, to confirm the soundness of our position.

Tamil chieftains which, with variations natural in the circumstances, are repeated in the poems of the Punanānūņu, Pattuppāṭṭu and so on. The story of Elara in the Maharamsa is doubtless the Ceylonese version of the Tamil Cola story of the king who condemned his son to death for calf-slanghter. Mahāvamsa places Eļāra in the second half of the second century B. C. and the other Tamil princes mentioned If we remember that the in the latter half of the first. early chapters of the Mahāvamsa were composed in the fifth century A. D. from earlier chronieles, * we shall see that the somewhat confused account of the Tamil invasions of the island in this early part of its history are not bottomless fabrications, but preserve for us the faded memory of real events, and the dates assigned to these events cease to be altogether valueless for Tamil chronology, †

Again, the dates of the three Dēvāram hymnists and of Tirumangai Āļvar have been fixed on proper grounds in the seventh century and after; Appar, the oldest of them all, must have lived in the early part of that century. The most superficial student of Tamil literature can hardly fail to notice striking differences in vocabulary, diction, and metre between the compositions of these holy men and the entire body of Sangam literature, which surely indicate a growth through some centuries. The fact that Appar knows of Senganān as a spider transformed into a Cōļa king, by showing that Senganān had already become a legendary figure, points in the same direction; and Senganān was apparently among the latest of the early Cōḷas of whom we have spoken in this chapter.

^{*} Geiger, Eng. Tr. pp. x-xv.

[†] See Ante pp. 33ff. Notice also the names Panaya māraka and Pilayamāraka in the Ceylon list recalling Palaiyan Māran of Tamil literature.

With these considerations before us, it is no longer true that one has to depend on the mere identity of the name to accept the Gajabāhu synchronism. Once that is accepted, it follows that, as Senguttuvan and his contemporaries had some generations of predecessors and successors, the best working hypothesis is to assign the Sangam Age to the first three or four centuries of the Christian era.

Recent discussions centering round the twentyninth canto of the Manimēkalai and its
relation to Dinnāga's Nyāyapraveśa have
turned out to be less conclusive than
they appeared at first. The resemblance between the
Nyāyapraveśa and this canto of the Manimēkalai is,
doubtless, "so complete that the Nyāyapraveśa must be
supposed to be either inserted in or extracted out of
the Manimēkalai." * We may go further and assert with
some confidence that the Nyāyapraveśa has been inserted
in the Manimēkalai. † But one can hardly fail to notice

^{*} Nyavapraveša ed. A. B. Dhiuva p. xv.

[†] The grounds for this view may be briefly indicated here. The publication of the Sanskrit text of the Nyayapraccia makes the Manimekalai account much more intelligible than it was when 1)r. S. K. Aiyangai wrote his 'Maninīkhalai in its Historical Setting.' In reproducing almost word for word the treatment of fallacies in the Nyayapraveša, the Manimekalai (xxix ll. 111-468) differs from it in some remarkable ways. It compresses the N. in parts and expands it sometimes as in the treatment of Ubhayavyavrtti in Vaidharmya Drstantabhasa, (two lines and a half of the Sanskrit text being rendered into Il. 424-49). Again some refinements are introduced by the Tamil author, which, though not found in the Nyagapravesa, are clearly suggested by it. The instance cited above is a good example of this also: and in discussing the example akasavat as an instance of avidyamāna-ubhayūsiddha-sūdharmya-dīstāntābhāsa, the N. explains the example only as referring to the asattva-vadi; but the M. (Il 383-4) applies it to the sattva-vadi as well. Again there are differences in terminology which can only be noted, without criticism, as some at least of them may be merely textual errors in the Tamfl work: (a) In the ennmeration of pakyabhasas the M. has aprasiddha-sambandha, the ninth category, in the place of prasiddhasambandha of the N.; (b) for anyatarasiddha and sandighda-siddha of the N. among hetvābhusas, the M. substitutes anyathusiddha and siddhusiddha; (c) for

that a different and a simpler exposition of logical principles has already been given earlier in the canto, * and that the exposition of fallacies in accordance with the Nyāyapraveśa has come in as a clumsy afterthought, introduced by the impossible statement † that upanaya and nigamana may be subsumed under dṛṣṭānta. statement gives, in our view, the clue to the real history of the chapter. In its original form it contained only the exposition which takes the first place in the chapter, was pre-Dinnaga in its content, and stood for a syllogism of five members. Some pions student of Dinnaga, in his anxiety to glorify his master, by giving a rendering of the Nyāya praveša to the Tamil world, hit on the idea of putting it into the standard romance of Tamil Buddhism, and when he was up against the five-member syllogism in the original work, he solved the difficulty in a crude manner and annexed to the chapter a discussion of fallacies based on the three-member syllogism. This conclusion gains in force from a study of the other systems of philosophy, like the Sāukhya, which are reflected in the Manimekalai in their earlier phases. ‡

viruddhavyabhicāri of the N. we have viruddha vyabhicāri in M. (d) in naming dṛṣṭāntābhāsas v here the N. has cādhanadharma-asaddha etc., the M. gives sādhana-dharma-vikala etc. It may be noted that Dharmakitt too uses 'vikala' for 'asiddha'. See JIII. x pt. ii, for a review of the Nyāyapravēśa (ed. Dhruva) by S.S.S.

^{* 11. 45-108.}

[†] II. 109-110. On this Mr. Dhruva remarks: "The author of the Maņimēkalai does not perceive that the last two avayavas can never be included in the dṛṣṭānta as he ignorantly imagines." (p. xv).

[‡] Mr. S. S. Suryanarayana Sastri, has studied the Sāakhya in the Manimīkalai and proved its early character. Vide JIII, Vol. viii (1929) pt. iii. See also ix pt. iii for his paper on Buddhist Logic in the Manimīkalai.

CHAPTER IV

GOVERNMENT AND SOCIAL LIFE IN THE SANGAM AGE.

In the present state of our knowledge, it is not possible for us to view the political events of the Sangam age as a connected whole and study them in their sequence. They pass before us in kaleidoscopic confusion, more or less the same accidental results of the ambitious and fears, the hopes and blunders of kings and chieftains that they must have appeared to their contemporaries. We totally miss the mutual connection and the perspective in which it is the task of history to set the events of the past. What we lack in this direction seems, however, to be more than made good in another. There is no age without its peculiar background of social and cultural ideas and ideals, a kind of communal psychology, which possesses men's minds and to a large extent supports their institutions and determines their actions. Of this psychological background, the literature of the Sangam gives us an unusually complete and true picture.

The most striking feature of the culture of the age is its composite quality. It is the unmistakable result of the blend of two origin lly distinct cultures, best described as Tamilian * and Aryan. There is no task more fascinating, and none less easy, in the study of the pre-history of Southern ludia than that of disentangling

The old term Pravioum, now fallen into much contempt with some writers, does not mean anything essentially different. Inferences from language or culture to race are of course not warranted.

the primitive elements of these disparate cultures, the stages by which they mingled and the consequences of their mixture. * Our task is the simpler one of studying the resultant culture as it is reflected in the extant literature of the Sangam. In the absence of a settled internal chronology, and of reliable data bearing on the growth of the Tamil language in this period, the relative dates of individual poems can hardly be fixed with any confidence. Attempts to base inferences on a fifth century date for Karikāla, or on subjective tests like the assumption that kings began to loom large only after Karikāla's time, † or the assumption that minor chieftains gained power after the eclipse of the three dynasties in the Kalabhra interregnum, ‡ cannot be received with too much suspicion. Our course must

be to treat the entire corpus of the Sangam works, (including also the Silappadikāram and the Maņimēkalai in this description but making more cantious use of them than of the other poems), as depicting the culture of a definite epoch extending for a period of three centuries; and thus to gain some knowledge of the background against which must be set the wars and disputes, the friendships and jealousies that have been sketched in the last chapter.

^{*} Much recent writing on this subject makes one reflect on the justice of the remark made in another context by Wingfield-Straticrd: "This is a field that has hitherto been largely left to free lances, and it is perhaps a pity that a closer haison has not been maintained between orthodox historians, and imaginative pioneers, the boldness of whose conclusions is apt to take one's breath away, and demands from the reader exercise of the critical faculty not always apparent in the author. The argument from words, of which the free lance is so glibly prolific, is one that ought to be used with the utmost caution, considering how easy it is, with a little ingenuity, to make out a philological case for the wildest absurdity." (The History of British Civilisation, i. p. 14).

⁺ P. T. Srinivasa Aiyangar Tamils p. 485; surely there were heroes before Agamemnon.

¹ ibid. p. 537.

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To trace fully the elements of pre-Aryan Tamil culture that survived into historical Blend of cultures. times would involve an extensive application of comparative methods to the literature of the Sangam age, such as cannot be undertaken here. These survivals are seen sometimes to exist by the side of the newer practices; just as the electric train and the country cart are both seen in use today, so in the Maņimēkalai we see the prevalence side by side of no fewer than five modes of disposing of the dead which included cremation, exposure, and burial with and without urns. * Other instances show evidence of a conscious effort to blend the new with the old, and dovetail into one another modes originally distinct and self-contained. It is well-known that the earliest Dharmasūtras † mention eight forms of marriage as part of the Aryan code; these eight forms are mentioned in the Sūtras of the Tolkāppiyam ‡ and the Iraiyanār Kalaviyal, and much ingenuity is spent in accommodating them to Tamil forms. The Tamils had a relatively simple conception of marriage; they recognised the natural coming together of man and woman (kāmakkūṭṭam), and the slight differences in the manifestation of love, perhaps ultimately traceable to differences in the physical conditions of the different parts of the country. These they recognised as the five tinais. They had also names for unilateral love, kaikkilai, and abnormal love-perundinai. Into this scheme the eight Aryan forms are squeezed with results not altogether happy. § The five tinais are treated as varieties of Gandharva, and the Asura, Rākṣasa and Paiśāca forms are grouped

^{*} vi. 11. 66-7.

[†] E. g. Gautama iv. 6 ff. (Mysore ed. n.)

¹ Magaiyor-R-ettu-mangal effanul, Su. 92 in Porul; Igaiyanar, Su. 1.

[§] Tolkappiyam Porul. 104-6.

under kaikkilai,—courses not very satisfactory in themselves. But the attempt to impound the remaining Aryan forms, Brāhma, Prājāpatya, Ārṣa and Daiva under perundiņai is even less happy, and shows that the synthesis was not easy or natural. But the most tangible result of the meeting of the Tamil and the Aryan is the tremendous richness and fecundity that was imparted to the Tamil idiom thereby, and the rise of a literature which combined a good deal of classic grace with vernacular energy and strength. This is the literature of the Śangam Age.

In a few broad sweeps of his pen, the poet of the Paţţinappālai * conveys to ns the gen-Rural Life. eral aspect of rural life in the ancient Cola country studded with numberless small villages. The unfailing Kaveri spread its fertilising waters on the wide fields yielding golden harvests. The white water lilies growing in wet fields withered under wreaths of smoke issuing from hot ovens on which was boiling the sweet juice of the dark cane. The buffalo crammed its maw with well-grown ears of corn, while its young ones slept in the shadow of the tall barns. Cocoannt palms and plantains with bunches of fruit, the areca-palm and the fragrant turmeric, the mango in its variety and the palmyra with clusters of nalm-fruit, the broad based śēmbu (Colocasia antiquorum), and the tender ginger grew in abundance around each village. Bright-faced maidens, wearing tasteful jewels and innocent looks, keeping watch over the paddy drying in the open, flung their curved ear-ornaments of gold at the fowl that came to eat the grain. Little children, with auklets on their feet, played about on the thresholds of houses, with their

^{*} II. 1-28.

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toy-carts with three wheels and no horses, and shouted out to people to get out of their way. Such were the many villages in which lived the rich families of the extensive Cola country. The wonderful fertility of the soil is a favourite theme with the poets, and making all allowances for the license of poets, especially of court-poets, one can hardly deny the reality of the substance behind such utterances as that of Kovūr-Kilār: *

Glory be thine, O giver, whose brow knows no sweat

From labour done, but only that from eager feasting!

[—Like drops of rain

That fall in the full lake, drips down the fat
From the meats they serve up; roasted flesh is
Carved and eaten; from their emptied porringers they
Quaff large draughts of milk!—
Thy fields of rice,—wide are their borders, where
The sweet cane flowers! Thy pasture lands,—with stalls
For herds,—there cattle graze!

Archers with fortified camps guard the flocks, and from [tree-tops

On the wooded shore count the ships that cover thy sea!—
In the bay they load the abounding salt with which thy
[craggy mountains teem!

Avūr Mūlam-kiļār affirms † that the small space in which an elephant can he down produced enough to feed seven; another poet ‡ states that a vēli of land produced a round thousand kalams of paddy.

The government of the land was in form a hereditary monarchy. Disputed successions and civil wars were, as we have seen, not uncommon; and if the accounts we possess of the ravages that followed a conquest contain any truth,

^{*} Puram 368, IA, xxix pp. 282-3.

[†] Puram 40, 11, 10-11.

[‡] Porunar-arruppadai, 11. 245-6.

war was not, as so often made out, the pleasant diversion of a few professionals which left the normal course of life in the country untouched. The Sanskritic conception of the state $(r\bar{a}jya)$ as an organism with seven limbs (angas) was known and accepted, and the

Kural, * introducing a slight but significant change, makes the remaining six elements subject to the king. In other respects as well, the concepts of polity gain a certain clarity and precision in the hands of Tiruvalluvar, unknown to their sources. The ten verses † in which he deals with the essentials of nādu (rāstra) are far more clear-cut in their analysis of the physical basis of the life of the state than the corresponding statements in the Arthasāstras known to us, and the concluding declaration ‡:

"Though blest in every other way, it avails nothing to a nādu if there be no peace between the people and the king"

shows a firm grasp on the part of the author of the fundamentally moral foundations of political independence. Again, the same combination of shrewd practical wisdom and high political principle characterises his discussion of the place of treasure in state life, § and in this section we have the remarkable statement that the king's treasury is replenished from three sources ¶—land-tax, customs and tolls, conquest. And in striking contrast to Kautilya's maxims on pranaya ('benevolences'), is the sound rule of Tiruvalluvar: ||

^{*} No. 381

⁺ Nos. 731-40

[#] No. 740.

[§] Nos. 751-60.

[¶] No. 756 Parimelalagar has taken nguporul to mean escheat and treasuretrove; but see Divakaram, sec. 9.

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"A sceptred king imploring a gift is like a robber with lance in hand crying 'give'."

It may be noted in passing that a verse in Ahanānūru* states that the Cōlas had a strongly guarded treasury at Kumbakōṇam.

The king was in all essential respects an autocrat, whose autocracy was tempered by the Nature of maxims of the wise and the occasional Monarchy. intercession of the minister. The sphere of the state's activity was, however, very limited, and in a society where respect for ancestral custom was very deep-rooted, even the most perverse of autocrats could not have done much harm; and it must be owned that the general impression left on the mind by the literature of the age is one of contentment on the part of the people who were proud of their kings and loyal to them. The great author of the Kural, much of whose work is devoted to a systematic treatment of the affairs of state, may be accepted as a safe guide to the prevailing theory of the time; and theory is never so completely divorced from practice that we can make no inferences from the one regarding the other. No better method can be availed of to understand the nature of Tamil monarchy in this period than to discuss some of the salient statements of Tiruvalluvar on the subject. He warns kings, for instance, against the corrupting influence of unlimited power, saying: †

> The king with none to censure him, bereft of safe-[guards all

Though none his ruin work, shall surely ruined fa.!.

The possibility of oppression and its consequence to the tyrant form the subject of some verses which seem

^{*} No. 60, II, 13-5-Korrac-colar kudandai vaitta nädu taru nidiyinunjeriya-varun-gadi.

[†] No 448, Pope's translation.

to imply that even in the face of intolerable misrule there were no formal remedies open to the people: *

His people's tears of sorrow past endurance, are not they Sharp instruments, to wear the monarch's wealth away?

'Ah! cruel is our king' where subjects sadly say, His age shall dwindle, swift his joy of life decay.

The importance attached to espionage would likewise imply that the king had little direct means of ascertaining popular opinion: †

These two: the code renowned, and spies, In these let the king confide as eyes.

And the duty is east on the minister of even braving the anger of a worthless king and speaking out to him when the occasion demanded it: ‡

"Though, himself unwise, the king might cast his wise words away, it is the duty of the minister to speak the very truth."

Lastly, the important place of learned men in the polity of the land and the potency of their influence in the country and on the court is neatly brought out in the Kural: §

Although you hate incur of those whose ploughs are bows, Make not the men whose ploughs are words your foes!

Nothing can furnish more striking evidence of the great gulf that separated royalty from common humanity than the awe with which the power of the king for good and for ill was contemplated. In theory, he was not merely, nor even primarily, the guardian of the people from physical danger,

^{*} Nos. 355, 564.

[†] No. 581.

[‡] No. 638.

[§] No. 872.

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internal and external, but he was the custodian of the Universal Order. On his right rule rested the penance of the sage, the purity of the wife, * nay the very course of the seasons. The Kural affirms: †

The learning and virtue of the sages spring from the [sceptre of the King; again,

Where King, who righteous laws regards, the sceptre [wields,

There fall the showers, there rich abundance crowns the [fields.

Not lance gives kings the victory,

But sceptre swayed with equity.

The result of misrule then is not rebellion, but famine. Some of these ideas, though not in so clear-cut a form, are also the common stock of Sanskrit treatises on polity. These statements, doubtless, are by no means to be understood literally; they are only meant to emphasise the importance and the glory of a just rule: and are part of the armoury of maxims and exhortations intended for the guidance of kings and for the good of their subjects. But from this mystic conception of kingship, it is a far cry to the control of the royal power by popular representation and the power of the purse. The early Sanskritic political thinkers, like some Roman Catholic writers of the sixteenth century, justified tyrannicide under conditions. Tamil literature does not seem ever to sanction resistance to the king's will.

Mention is made in the Silappadikāram and the

Maṇimēkalai of groups called aimper
ungulu and eṇpērāyam. Another group of five categories of persons is sometimes added to these to make up the 'eighteen kiļaippālūr'

^{*} Mani, xxii 1, 208.

[†] Noz. 543; 545-6. cf. also Mani-vii Il. 8 ff.

as the early lexicon Divakaram calls them, or the 'eighteen surram' as they are more commonly known. There are noticeable divergences among the earliest authorities on the content of aimperungulu and euperāyam: * this, taken along with the contexts in which these phrases occur outside the lexicons, is enough to convince a student of Tamil Literature that these various groups are part of the royal paraphernalia which accompanied kings on ceremonial occasions. The Kural knows nothing of them. Kanakasabhai, † who recognised that the 'enpērāyam' were the eight groups of attendants who contributed to the 'pomp and dignity' with which the king was surrounded, somehow convinced himself that the 'aimperungulu' was of another order, and has made a number of statements not one of which is warranted by his sources. conneil of representatives safeguarded the rights and privileges of the people; the priests directed all religious ceremonies; the physicians attended to all matters affecting the health of the king and his subjects; the astrologers fixed auspicious times for public ceremonies and predicted important events; the ministers attended to the collection and expenditure of the revenue and the administration of justice. Separate places were assigned in the capital town, for each of these assemblies, for their meetings and transaction of business. ... The power of government was entirely vested in the king and in the 'Five Great Assemblies.' It is most remarkable that this system of government was followed in the three kingdoms of the Pāṇḍya, Cōļa and Cēra, although they were independent of each other. There is reason to believe therefore that they followed this system of government which obtained in the country

^{*} See PK. pp. 32-3.

[†] The Tamils Eighteen Hundred Years Ago. pp. 109-10.

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from which the founders of the 'three kingdoms' had originally migrated, namely, the Magadha Empire." Of this string of astonishing assertions, we can only observe that everything in them except the names of the groups is pure imagination, and the reader will search the texts in vain for support for these statements. What is here called 'the council of representatives' is described by the vague term 'māšanam' which at best may mean 'elders'.*

on any scientific basis of representation, but still virtually representing such public opinion as there was, we must turn really to the institution called 'mangam' (hall) and 'podiyil' (common place) in this early literature. The two sections on 'avai' (sabhā) in the Kugal are quite general, and some verses in them may raise a doubt whether anything more than meetings for purposes of learned disputation is contemplated by them; but the term 'avai' is also applied in other works to the 'mangam' and in the Kugal itself, the avai is clearly part of the mechanism of politics. We may therefore hold with Parimēlalagar that these sections have

^{*}As may be expected, scholars who are not in a position to control Kanakasabhar's statements by going to his sources have been much intrigued by them. In his thoughtful work on Corporate Life in Ancient India, for instance, R. C. Majumdar takes a big leap forward from the point to which Kanakasabhai had taken him, and affirms: "It appears to me that the so called Five Assemblies were really the five committees of a Great Assembly. The writer has traced them to the Magadha Empire, but they seem to me rather the modifications of the Vedic Samiti which left its reminiscence in every part of India." And these hoary assemblies also by a miracle anticipated the most modern developments in political organisation! For Majumdar continues: "In any case the representative character of these bodies, and the effective control which they exercised over the administration is clearly established. It is interesting to note also that the 'ministers' formed one of the assemblies. The assemblies, taken together, may justly be compared with the Privy Council referred to above, the assembly of the ministers corresponding with the Cabinet composed of a selected few." (Second Edition pp. 130-1). Aho nirankuśatvam utprekşāyāh l

reference to the king's sabhā. Frequent as are the allusions to the 'sabhā' or 'mangam' in the works of the period, few specific details of its nature and working are forthcoming. Its place Urban. in the administration of justice, especially in the capital city of the king, is well attested. The sons of Malaiyaman were tried and sentenced, and later released by the intercession of Kovūr-Kilar, in the mangam of Ugaiyūr; * and Pottiyār, after the death of his friend Kopperunjolan, could not bear the sight of the same manram bereft of him. The Porunar-ārruppadai † makes a pithy statement about adults setting aside their feuds while they entered the sabhā, which might mean either that they got their disputes adjudicated or laid their private quarrels aside for the discharge of common We can infer naturally that the sabhā or mangam was also availed of by the king for purposes of general consultation; Tiruvalluvar lays stress on the importance of ready speech in the assembly by saying that the learning of a man who is afraid to speak out in the assembly is like a bright sword in the hands of a eunuch on the field of battle. ±

Even less specialised and more entangled in the social and religious complex of village life was the mangam of the rural areas.

Each village had its common place of meeting, generally under the shade of a big tree where men, women and children met for all the common activities of the

^{*} Puram 46.

^{† 11. 187-8 -}mudiyōr-avai-puku-poludir-ram pakai muran selavum. Here 'mudiyōr' is to be taken in contrast with the 'ilaiyōr' immediately preceding in the sentence ilaiyōr vandal-ayaravum. Naccinārkkiniyar indeed does not do so, and understands 'mudiyōr' to mean 'old men', and finds occasion to introduce the legend about Karikāla putting on a wig of grey hair in order to appear older than the old men who came to lay their differences before him.

¹ No 727.

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village; there were held the folk dances in which the women took part and which were suspended in the midst of a war or siege. * Lacking evidence on the place occupied by the mangam on the political side of rural life, we may still trace to these primitive folk-gatherings, at least in part, the beginnings of the highly developed system of village-government which came into existence and functioned so admirably in later Cola times. †

The chief sources of royal revenue appear to have been land and trade. The ma and the Taxation. vēli as measures of land were already known; t but we have no means of determining precisely the king's share of the produce of agriculture. The peasant was the backbone of the country's prosperity and was held in great esteem. The author of the Kural affirms that his was the only life worth the name, the life of all the rest being one of servitude and sycophancy. § The importance of foreign trade in the period, and the vivid account of the activity of customs officials given in the Pattinappālai ¶ must go a long way to convince us of the high place occupied by customs duties as a source of revenue.

"In the broad street near the sea beach where are seen (to grow) white long-petalled clusters of $t\bar{a}lai$ (Pandanus), officials of established renown guarding the property of the good king, collect customs from day to day, untiring like the horses yoked to the chariot of the hot-rayed sun; yet, without abating, in the manner of showers in the rainy (season) when the water absorbed by the clouds is poured on the hill, and the water

^{*} Puram 373.

⁺ See Studies pp. 74ff.

[†] Porunar. 11. 180, 246.

[§] No. 1033.

^{¶ 11. 118 -137.}

poured on the hill is despatched to the sea, immeasurable quantities of various articles are being brought ashore from the sea and sent to the sea from land; in heavy bales, precious articles come crowding in endlessly into the strongly guarded enclosure, and are sent to the stack after being stamped with the (seal of the) mighty and fierce tiger."

The prison formed part of the system of administration. * The Cēra Kaṇaikkāl-Irumporai was detained by Śengaṇān in a prison, which, from its name Kuḍavāyir-kōṭṭam, is sometimes taken to have been in Kumbakōṇam or a smaller place, also near it, now called Koḍavāśal. †

An army of well-equipped professional soldiers was regularly maintained and no doubt found frequent employment in those bellicose times. The captains of the army were distinguished by the title of ēnādi conferred on them in a ceremony of formal investiture at which the king presented his chosen commander with a ring and other insignia of high military rank. ‡ The Puranānāru contains two poems § on such military leaders who served the Cōla monarchs; of these, one gives a very clear notion of the ideals cherished by a good soldier in those days:

"You, when you see a fight, you rush to the front, divide your enemy's forces, stand before them, and get your body scarred by the deep cuts of their swords; thus are you (your fame is) pleasant to the ear, not so your body to the eye. As for them (your enemies), when they see you, they turn their backs, and with bodies whole and unscarred, they are pleasant to the eye,

^{*} Mani xix 11. 42-3.

[†] See Kalavali-ed. Anantarama Aiyar p. 10. (Introdn.)

[‡] See Naccinārkkiniyar on mārāyam-perra-nedumoļiyānum (Tol. Poruļ. Purattiņai, Su. 8.)

[§] Nos. 167, 394.

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not so (their infamy) to the ear. Hence, you are pleasant in one way, they in another; what is there else in which they do not equal you? Yet, what wonder is it, tell us, noble one! that this world cherishes you, O! Killi, of the fleet steed and of the victorious anklet-adorned foot."

cherished by his compatriots. The spot was usually marked by a stone bearing on it the name and the fame of the fallen hero. Such hero stones also sometimes became objects of worship. * This custom survived till at least the tenth century in the Tamil and Kanarese country where several inscribed hero stones bearing dates in the ninth and tenth centuries and answering to the description given of them in Sangam literature have been brought to light. The setting up of memorial stones for this and other purposes was so common that, at an early date, literary convention came to standardise the procedure adopted on such occasions. †

to rejoice with the common soldiers in their successes; on the other hand, if a king was killed or even seriously wounded in the midst of the fight, his army gave up the struggle and accepted defeat. ‡ Yet only a warrior's death was held worthy of kings; one Cēra monarch, as we have seen, having been wounded in his back, decided to starve himself to death; another, less heroic, mourned his captivity in pitiful terms. It was a common practice to lay on a bed of kuśa grass the corpses of kings who died otherwise than in a fight, and cleave them with a sword before burial or cremation in order to ensure

^{*} Kura! 771; Aham 131; Puram 306, 1. 4.

⁺ Tol Porul Su. 63 (end.)

[‡] Puram 62, 1. 13.

for them a place in the Valhalla of the Tamils. * The vanity of the victor often inflicted deep personal humiliations on his vanquished foe, the memories of which rankled and brought on further strife. The crowns of defeated kings furnished the gold for the anklets of the victor. † The horse, the elephant and war chariot, the sword, lance and bow, and the wardrum are among the paraphernalia of war most frequently described in the literature of the age. Elephants are often said to have carried flags in the battle-field, no doubt, the distinctive standards of each side which had, besides, other less prominent emblems like flowers and garlands of a particular variety. The Kalavali is one of the most detailed descriptions we possess of the battle-field in the Tamil country, and the poem supplies in a casual way much interesting information on military affairs. ‡ The soldiers, infantry and cavalry alike, wore leather sandals for the protection of their feet. § The nobles and princes rode on elephants, and the commanders drove in pennoned chariots. Poygaiyar mentions that women who had lost their husbands bewailed their loss on the field of Kalumalam; ¶ unless this is mere rhetoric, we may suppose that women, at least of the higher orders. sometimes accompanied their husbands to the field.

Besides being the head of the government and leader in war, the king also held the first rank in social life. He patronised poetry and the arts, and kept an open house. War

^{*} Mani. xxiii ll. 13 ff and n.

⁺ Puram 40. Modern warfare is no stranger to such unchivalrous practices. Witness enemy guns cast into memorial shields.

I Kanakasabhai has edited and translated the poem, IA. xviii. p. 253.

[§] Kalavali 9.

[¶] Verse 29.

and women were, in fact, the universal preoccupations of the leisured classes, besides wine and song. The king and his ēnādis with their retinues must have formed a gay boisterous crew at the top of society with a lunge capacity for enjoying the simple pleasures of life such as eating and drinking. No occasion was lost for holding a feast and the poets are most eloquent in

their praise of the sumptuous fare to which they were so often asked. One poet declares to his patron: *

"I came to see you that we may eat together the unctuous chops of meat, cooled after boiling and soft like the carded cotton of the spinning woman, alternating with large pots of toddy."

Another records in grateful detail his exhilarating reception at the hands of the great Cola king Karikāla: †

"In his palace, beautiful women decked in fine jewels and sweet smiles, often ponred out and filled the ever-ready goblet of gold with intoxicating liquor, unstinting like the rain; thus drinking my fill, and chasing out my fatigue and my great distress, I experienced a new elation. In good time, he plied me with the soft boiled legs of sheep fed on sweet grass, and hot meat, cooked at the points of iron spikes, in large chops which were cooled by being turned in the mouth from one side to another; when I said I would have no more of these, he kept me on, and gave me to eat sweets made in varied shapes and of excellent taste. In this wise, entertained by the music of the sweet drum and the well tuned lute of the bright faced viraliyar, I spent many pleasant days. On occasions, he entreated me to eat food prepared from rice; then I ate fine cooked rice which, with unbroken edges and erect like fingers, resembled the buds of the mullai (flower), together with curries sweetened with milk, in such quantity that they filled me up to the neck. So I stayed happily with him, and by eating flesh day and night, the edges of my teeth became blunt like the

^{*} Puram 125.

⁺ Porunar-arruppadai 11, 84-9; 102-21; see also Puram 34 translated by Pope IA, xxix p. 251.

ploughshare (after) ploughing dry land. Getting no time to rest, I began to dislike food; and one day I said: 'O! prosperous (king)! expert in collecting tribute from your angry foes, let me go hence, back to my old city."

The habit of eating betel leaves after food was well-known. Women are said to have given up eating betel leaves and bathing in cold water when their husbands fell in battle. * Kōvalan's wife Kaṇṇaki gave him, after his last meal, betel leaves and areca-nuts to eat, before he went out on his fatal mission for the sale of the anklet in Madura. †

Easily the most cultured among the amusements open to the upper classes in those days Literature. were poetry, song and dance. The poets were men and women drawn from all classes; they composed verses to suit the immediate occasion and were often rewarded very well for their literary exertions. How much we owe to these occasional songs, gathered subsequently and arranged in 'the eight anthologies', must be clear from the numerous examples quoted already. The profits of poetry in this age were believed, at any rate by people of later times, to be absurdly high; and the author of the Kalingattupparani tells us that Kadiyalur Rudrangannanar got for his Pattinappālai over a million and a half gold pieces from Karikāla. ‡ If legend says true, only a small part of early Tamil poetry has come down to us; but what we possess of this literature bears evidence of its great qualities. The poems, specially the shorter ones, are full of colour and true to life. They abound in fine

^{*} Puram 62 1, 14.

⁺ Sil xvi 1. 55.

t v. 185-The figure given is 1600,000; 'Pattodarunurayiram,'

phrases giving compact and eloquent expression to the physical and spiritual experiences of the poet. They are generally free from the monotony and the artificiality that mar much of later Tamil poetry. And they do not lack width of range. The short poem, the long ode, the dramatic epic and the religious lyric were all known; and in the *Kural* of Tiruvalluvar we have a work that transcends the limitations of time and place.

Besides these poets, some of whom were resident companions of kings and chiefs, while Minstrels. others, the humbler ones, moved from one court to another in search of patronage, there were also roving bands of musicians followed by women who danced to the accompaniment of music. They were the panar and viraliyar who moved about the country in companies carrying with them all sorts of quaint musical instruments. They seem to have been the representatives of primitive tribal groups * who preserved the folk-songs and dances of an earlier age. Their numbers and their poverty form a frequent theme of the poetry of the age, and, from all accounts, they seem to have lived from hand to mouth and seldom known where their next meal was to be had. Here is a very humorous account † of their experiences after meeting a generous patron:

"The Cola king showered great quantities of wealth in (the form of) fine and costly jewels not suited to us; on seeing this, some among the large group of my kinsfolk, used (only) to abject poverty, put on their ears ornaments meant for the fingers; others wore on their fingers things meant for the ear; others put on their necks jewels meant for the waist; yet others adorned their waists with ornaments properly worn on the neck; in this wise, as on the day when the mighty rākṣasa carried off Sitā, the wife of Rāma of the swift chariot, the great

^{*} Pugam 335.

⁺ Puram 378, 11. 10-22.

group of red-faced monkeys shone in the fine jewels (of Sitā) that they discovered on the ground, we were the cause of endless laughter."

Of the class of poems called arruppadui, in which a poet narrates his experiences of a patron and invites others to bring themselves to his notice, some are addressed to the panar and one of these poems, a relatively short piece, may be reproduced here. *

"Minstrel, with little lute of sweetest strain! Suppliant with words of ancient wisdom full!

Importunate thou askest me to rest and listen to the pleasant sounds of thy tambourine.

But hear what I shall say !

The modest home of Pannan, whose hands are full of gifts, is near the wide city.

There food inexhaustible is found like the waters of the cool tank under January's moon, and the humming bees explore the sweets of the fragrant water-lily.

There he meditates the praise and glory of Killivalavan, king of the good land that yields in abundance rice and sweet water, and that knows the fire that cooks, but not the fire that consumes.

If thither,—together with thy songstress, whose hair diffuses fragrance of the 'trumpet-flower,' the bright-browed, sweetly smiling—you softly advance, you shall prosper well.

His gifts are not mere chance, like gold found by the woodman in the forest.

Hesitate not.

Long may he flourish!"

That the arts of music and dancing were highly developed becomes clear from the celebrated third canto, the Arangērru-kādai of the Silappadikāram which gives a full account of the technique of the theatre

^{*} Puram 70; IA. xxix p. 281.

and the dance, and of the music and musical instruments accompanying the dance. If we may trust the earliest glossator to whom we have access on this highly abstruse section of the Silappadikāram, the dancing and music, of which hetaerae like Madhavi were the exponents in high society, comprised at least two strains which had come together to form a complex scheme. These were the deśi and mārga, the former doubtless as its name implies the strain indigenous to the country. and the latter an exotic Aryan mode. We may also infer the existence of an extensive literature on these arts most of which has been lost to us. Eleven scenes* from Aryan mythology seem to have been selected for standardised presentation and formed the classics of the arts. The Manimekalait, like Vatsyayana's Kāmasūtra, indicates that the nadaka magalir, the hetaerae, underwent a regular course of instruction extending over a number of years and comprising royal dances, popular dances, singing, lute-playing, flute-playing, cookery, perfumery, painting, flowerwork and so on. Several varieties of the viņai and the yāl are mentioned; it is not easy to understand their exact forms now, though it is clear that a high stage of development had then been reached in these arts, apparently after a long evolution.

The richer classes dwelt in houses built of brick and mortar, ‡ of which the walls were often covered with paintings of divine figures and pictures of animal life, § and surrounded by tastefully laid out pleasure gardens. ¶

^{*} These are detailed in Sil. vi 39 ff.

⁺ Mani ii ll. 18-32.

¹ Puram 378.

[§] Mani. iii, 11. 127 ff.

[¶] Mani xix Il. 102 ff.

Such gardens possessed shallow wells or tanks with mechanical fittings, artificial hillocks, rivulets and waterfalls, bowers of flower plants and glass houses, for the amusement of the immates of the mansions that stood in their midst. Mirrors were also known and used. * The opening canto of the Silappadikūram gives an account of a wedding in high society which,

though no doubt slightly idealised, may perhaps be accepted as based upon reality. The bride, Kaṇṇaki, was twelve years of age; the bridegroom, Kōvalan, was sixteen. Their marriage was arranged by their parents, who were wealthy merchants, and announced to the citizens of Puhār by ladies riding on an elephant.

"On the day when the moon was in conjunction with Röhini, in a mandapa adorned with pearls and flowers and supported on jewelled pillars with flower-festooned capitals, underneath an azure canopy, Kövalan, led in the Vedic rituals by an aged Brahman (priest), went round the fire in the company of her who rivalled Arundhati—blessed are the eyes of those who saw the sight."

The ceremonial over, the women strewed flowers and prayed for the life-long happiness of the couple, and the prosperity of the Emperor, and then followed the consummation.

Of the life of the common folk, literature furnishes fewer details. The Pattinappālai gives a vivid account of the life ‡ of the Paradavar, the deep-sea fishermen of Puhār, including some of their holiday amusements. On the wide dune of black sand, the large clan of the rough working

^{*} Mani. xix 90.

[†] See also Aham 86, quoted by P. T. Srinivasa Aiyangar Tamils pp. 78-80.

^{1 11. 59-117}

Paradavar were seen eating the cooked flesh of the sea-fish and the boiled field-turtle. Wearing flowers of the adumbu (Ipomaea bilboa) and the water-lily, they gathered in the spacious mangam like the stars and planets revolving in the blue sky. The stronger ones among them entered the wide aren's and, without turning back, they fought fierce duels hurting one another with their fists and their weapons. Birds flew from the mottled palms, frightened by stones shot from slings. In the outer streets, pigs were wallowing in puddles with their young ones, together with many kinds of fowl, and rams and quails were seen fighting. Their huts with low thatched roofs in which were stuck the long handles of fishing rods resembled the little enclosures round hero stones made of rows of shields and spears. midst of these huts, fishing nets were drying on sandy thresholds, like patches of darkness in bright moonlight. Wearing the garlands of the cool white convolvulus growing at the foot of the screw pine (with aerial roots) they planted a branching jaw-bone of the sword fish and invoked a mighty god to dwell in it. Decked in the long-petalled tālai (pandanus) flowers, the big red-haired fishermen drank the toddy of the rustling palm in the company of their dark women clad in garments of green leaves. Refraining from going afishing on the wide blue water, they are and sported on the sandy beach reeking of the smell of fish. Like the ruddy cloud embracing the high mountain, like the baby clinging to its mother's breast, the red waters of the Kaviri mingled with the clear sea water roaring at its mouth; there, the Paradavar washed their sins in the sea and the salt of the sea in the water of the river. They played with the crabs and, amidst the spreading waves of the sea, made dolls of sand and, feasting their senses in other ways, they spent the whole day in

games. In the night, they heard music and witnessed the plays acted in pillared mansions; lovers, changing silks for lighter robes and drinking wine without limit, slept on the sands in the last watch of night.

Puhār or Kāvirippūmpaṭṭinam was one of the few great cities of the time, and, being on the sea coast, it was also the great emporium of the kingdom. The city, its port and trade are fully described in the poems. The author of the Śilappadikāram says that the wise considered the prosperity of Puhār as stable as the Himalaya and the Podiya mountains; * again,

"This celebrated city, full of riches coveted by kings and teeming with sailors, is so well stocked that it will not fail in its hospitality even if the whole world encircled by the roaring sea become its guest; indeed in the hoards of (merchandise) brought in ships and carts, (the city) resembles a congregation of (all) the alien tracts producing precious goods."

A poet, † addressing the Cola king, says that big ships entered the port of Puhar without slacking sail, and poured out on the beach, inhabited by the common people, precious merchandise brought from overseas.

In the extensive bazaar of Puhār, ‡ says the author of Paṭṭinappālai, were seen many tall mansions surrounded by platforms reached by high ladders. These mansions had many apartments and were provided with door-ways, great and small, and wide verandahs and corridors. Well-dressed damsels glittering in jewels were looking out from the windows of the upper floors, and their palms joined in their front in salutation to Muruga resembled bunches

^{*} i, ll. 14-19. ii, ll. 1 ff.

[†] Puzam 30 Il. 11-14.

[‡] Pattinappalai 11. 142-158.

of sengandal (gloriosa superba) flowers seen high on the slopes of mountains. When Muruga was taken out in procession in the bazaar, which was done quite often, music and dancing parties accompanied him, and the sound of the flute, lute and drum mingled with the noises in the street. In all parts of the town there were flags of various kinds and shapes * flying in the air; some were flags that were worshipped by many as a high divinity, and the entrances to their precincts were decorated with flowers. Others were white flags raised on frames supported by posts, below which were made offerings of rice and sugar to precious boxes of merchandise. Yet others were flags that announced the challenge of great and renowned teachers who had mastered many sciences. † There were also flags waving on the masts of ships heaving in the port of Puhar like huge

In the same poem which so vividly describes the external appearance of the city, there occurs the following idealised description of its merchants and traders and their moral: ‡

elephants chafing at their posts. Yet others, flying over shops where fish and flesh were being sliced and fried and whose thresholds were strewn with fresh sand and flowers, announced the sale of high-class liquor to their

"They shunned murder, and put aside theft; pleased the gods by fire offerings; raised good cows and bulls; spread the glory of the Brahmans; gave (their guests) sweets to eat and (sometimes) foodstuffs raw; in these ways was their kindly life filled with endless good deeds. Holding to the golden mean,

numberless customers.

^{*} ibid 11. 159-183.

[†] This method of exhibiting one's learning in public disputations is also mentioned in the *Manimikalai* i, ll. 60-1. It was quite common in Europe till modern times; and in India, it is well-known even now among pandits.

^{‡ 11. 199-212}

like the peg of the loving farmer's long yoke, they feared the untrue and ever spoke the truth; they regarded others' rights as scrupulously as their own; they took nothing more than was due to them and never gave less than was due from them; trading thus in many articles of merchandise, they enjoyed an ancient heritage of prosperity and lived in close proximity to one another."

The general plan of the town of Puhar is described in considerable detail in canto V of the Divisions of Silappadikāram. The town built on the the city. northern bank of the Kaveri near its mouth comprised two parts, Maruvūr-pākkam near the sea and Pattinap-pākkam to its west. These were separated by a stretch of open ground taken up by a garden of trees under the shade of which was held the daily market of the city. Near the beach, in Maruvūr-pākkam were terraced mansions and warehouses with windows shaped like the eyes of the deer. There was the abode of the prosperous yavanas whose pleasant features arrested the eyes of spectators, and of Maruvür. other foreigners who, for the gains from their maritime trade, lived close to one another on quite friendly terms. Vendors of fragrant pastes and powders, of flowers and incense, weavers who worked silk, wool or cotton, traders in sandal, agil, coral, pearls, gold and precious stones, grain-merchants, washermen, dealers in fish and salt, sellers of betel-leaves and spices, butchers, sailors, braziers and copper-smiths, carpenters and blacksmiths, painters and sculptors (stuccoworkers), goldsmiths, tailors and cobblers, makers of toys in pith and cloth, and the numerous pāņar who were experts in the music of the lute and flute—these and others had their residence in Maruvūr-pākkam. Pattinap-pākkam were the broad royal

street. Rich merchants, brahmans, farmers, physicians,

street, the car street and the bazaar

Pattinam.

astrologers lived in their respective quarters. "Surrounding the palace were the houses of charioteers, horse and elephant riders and the soldiers who formed the body-guard of the king. Bards, minstrels and panegyrists, actors, musicians and buffoons, chank-cutters and those skilled in making flower garlands and strings of pearls, time-keepers whose duty it was to cry out the nālikais or divisions of time, as each passed, and other servants of the palace also resided within the limits of Paṭṭinap-pākkam." *

Of the overseas trade of the Cola kingdom in the Sangam Age again we get an excellent idea from a few lines of the Pattinappalai. The city of Puhar had a large colony of foreign merchants from different parts of the world.

"Like the large crowd gathered in a city of ancient renown on a festival day when people from many different places betake themselves to it with their relatives, persons from many good countries speaking different tongues had left their homes and como to reside (in Puhār) on terms of mutual friendship". †

Of the articles of foreign trade we have the following description from the same source: ‡

"Under the guardianship of the gods of enduring glory, horses with a noble gait had come by the sea; bagfuls of black pepper had been brought in carts; gems and gold born of the northern mountain, the sandal and agil from the western mountain, the pearl of the southern sea, the coral of the western sea, the products of the Ganges (valley), the yield of the Kāvēri,

[•] The Tamils Eighteen Hundred Years Ago, p. 25. The Manimekalai xxviii ll. 31-67 has a description of Kancipuram which, apparently similar to the description of Puhar reproduced above from the Silappadikaram, strikes one as too conventional to be accepted as having any close relation to facts. The Silappadikaram account is much more convincing.

^{+ 11. 213-17.}

^{1 11. 184-193.}

foodstuffs from Ceylon, and goods from Kalagam, * all these materials, precious and bulky alike, were heaped together in the broad streets overflowing with their riches."

Of the ports in other parts of the Tamil country we have similar descriptions in the literature of the Sangam. † Even inland cities like Madura had guards of 'dumb mlecchas' and 'yavanas' in complete armour keeping watch in the king's palaces. The Perumbāṇāruppaḍai, ‡ a poem of the same period, speaks of tall lighthouses on the coast summoning ships to harbour by the night.

If we compare this evidence with that of the classical writers of the early centuries Classical writers. of the Christian era, we shall see that the data drawn from these two disparate sources work into one another so closely that it becomes quite obvious that they relate to the same period of history. The author of the Periplus says positively that the Roman merchants raised every year beautiful maidens for the harems of Indian kings and the fact is confirmed by what passes in some dramas of India. § The chart of Peutinger, prepared at a time when the Roman Empire was flourishing in all its power, carries on the sheet devoted to India, by the side of the names of Tyndis and Musiris, the words 'Temple of Augustus.' ¶ Large quantities of Roman coins found in the interior of the Tamil land | attest the extent of trade, the presence of Roman settlers in the Tamil country and the periods

[•] The annotator makes this Kadaram (Sumatra).

⁺ PK. p. 35. Kanakasabhai op. cit. Chh. ii and iii.

^{1 11. 346-50.}

[§] Reinaud JA. 1863. i. pp. 301-2, cf. Periplus, sec. 49.

[¶] ibid p. 183.

Thurston Coins, Cat. No. 2. (Madras Museum), Second edition 1894. Sewell JRAS. 1904.

of the rise, zenith and decay of this active commerce. Casual statements made by the classical authors and, more decidedly, the evidence of the early Chinese annals, prove that along the sea-route from the Far-East to the West, India acted as an intermediary for many generations. The maritime trade of the Indian ocean in the early centuries of the Christian era is in itself a subject too vast, and authentic evidence on it is too extensive, * for us to attempt anything more than to draw attention to a few of its aspects that should interest students of Cola history.

The feeble beginnings of the trade between the Roman Empire and India, confined at History of first to articles of luxury, may be traced overseas trade. to the reign of Augustus, if not to an earlier time. Trade with the East was one of the chief factors that brought about the extension and consolidation of the Roman Empire in that direction, and the Arabian expedition of Aelius Gallus, though not a complete success, secured good harbours in the south of Arabia for the Roman traders on their way from Egypt to India. In the reign of Augustus, despite the 'embassies' to him from the Pandya country, this commerce was by no means extensive or economically important; the notices of some contemporary writers, whose imagination was struck by such trade, has led modern scholars, on the whole, to exaggerate its significance. But it soon assumed new and unexpected proportions, and ceased to be the negligible branch of Roman trade that it was in the beginning. The growth proceeded steadily through the times of the Julii and Claudii, and though there was a lively trade by land, the maritime commerce of

^{*} Warmington, The Commerce between the Roman Empire and India (Cambridge 1928.)

Egypt with Arabia, and through Arabia with India, was the most considerable branch of the commerce with the East. So long as the trade was confined to luxuries and carried on through Arab intermediaries, the Romans paid for it mostly in gold and silver, and the oft-quoted statement of the elder Pliny that not a year passed without the Empire paying out a hundred million sesterces (about £ 1,087,500) to India, China and Arabia* has, most likely, reference to this early phase. After Augustus, the trade with India grew naturally in the favourable atmosphere of a great Empire. "The discovery of the monsoons by Hipparchus of Alexandria in the late Ptolemaic or early Roman times, as well as the natural tendency of a growing trade to become more than a trade in luxuries and a merely passive trade on one side, led to the establishment of a direct route by sea between Egypt and India. The main centre of traffic was now Alexandria. The Arabian harbours lost their importance. ... The new route was fully established at the date of the Periplus. that is, under Domitian. The trade with India gradually developed into a regular exchange of goods of different kinds between Egypt on the one side and Arabia and India on the other. One of the most important articles which came from India was cotton, † another probably was silk. Both of these products were worked up in the factories of Alexandria, which sent in exchange glass, metal ware, and probably linen." ‡ Nothing can prove better the increasing volume and regularity of the Indian trade of the Roman Empire than the contrast

^{*}Warmington op. cit. pp. 274 ff. W. thinks that Pliny's 'Seres' were the Ceras. But see Hudson, Europe and China (Arnold, 1931) pp. 100-2. Roman coins need not actually have reached China.

⁺ Periplus Sec. 59.

[‡] Rostovtzeff-Social and Economic History of the Roman Empire. p. 93 (Oxford 1926); cf. Warmington Pt. I, ch. ii.

between the meagre description of the direct trade route to India given by the author of the Periplus and the elaborate precision of Ptolemy's descriptions in the first half of the second century A.D. Ptolemy's account shows that the Roman trade now reached beyond India to Indo-China and Sumatra, and that the trade with India and China was highly developed and quite regular. Relatively few Roman merchants visited the lands of the Far-East themselves; Southern India obviously acted as intermediary in the trade between China and the West. The carrying trade between the Malaya Peninsula and Sumatra in the East and the Malabar coast in the West was largely in the hands of the Tamils.* The direct trade between Rome and Southern India declined and died out in the period of military anarchy in the Roman Empire of the third century. "Practically no coins of the third century have been found in India. Business relations were not resumed till order and a stable gold currency had been re-established in the Byzantine period," † and then mostly through intermediaries.

Of the carrying trade of the Indian ocean and the Arabian sea, the Colas had an important share and controlled 'the largest and most extensive Indian shipping' of the Coromandel coast. ‡ In the harbours of the Cola country, says the author of the Periplus, "are ships of the country coasting along the shore as far as Damirjca; § and other

[·] Warmington op. cit. pp. 128-31.

[†] Rostovtzeff-op. cit. p. 421. Warmington, pp. 139-40.

[‡] Warmington, p. 65.

[§] This means the west coast of India. "Naura and Tyndis, the first markets of Damirica" (Sec. 53)

very large vessels made of single logs bound together, called sangara; but those which make the voyage to Chryse and to the Ganges are called colandia and are very large." * Here three kinds of craft are distinguished by the author of the Periplus-light coasting boats for local traffic, larger vessels of a more complicated structure and greater carrying capacity, and lastly the big ocean-going vessels that made the voyages to Malaya and Sumatra, and the Ganges. Quite obviously, the light coasting craft is what the poet Rudrangannanar had in mind when he described rows of roomy boats which had returned laden with grain secured in exchange for the white salt they had sold and which were seen in the back-waters of the port of Puhar tied to rows of pegs and looking like so many destriers. † The same writer mentions elsewhere larger ships which carried flags at their mastheads and which he compares to big elephants. Navigation in the high seas and the dangers attendant on it in foul weather are picturesquely described in the Manimekalai in a forcible simile in which the mad progress of Udayakumara in search of Manimekalai ‡ is compared to that of a ship caught in a storm on the high sea:

"The captain trembling, the tall mast in the centre broken at its base, the strong knots unloosed and the rope cut asunder by the wind, the hull damaged and the sails rent and noisy, like the ship caught in a great storm and dashed about in all directions by the surging waves of the ocean."

This coincidence of testimony drawn from the early literature of the Tamil country and the *Periplus* on the conditions of maritime trade in the Indian seas in the early centuries of the Christian era is indeed very

^{*} Section 60 and Schoff's notes thereon.

⁺ Pattinappālai 11. 29-32.

¹ iv. 11. 29-34.

remarkable in itself. When one considers this in the light of other evidence from Indo-China and the islands of the archipelago on the permeation of Indian influences in those lands from very early times, one can hardly fail to be struck by the correctness of the conclusion reached by Schoff: * "The numerous migrations from India into Indo-China, both before and after the Christian era, give ample ground for the belief that the ports of South India and Ceylon were in truth, as the Periplus states, the centre of an active trade with the Far-East, employing larger ships, and in greater number, than those coming from Egypt." We shall see that, when after a long eclipse, the power of the Cola kings revived in the tenth and eleventh centuries, the sea-faring instincts of the people had not deserted them and that, in the favourable conditions then obtaining, they attempted tasks more venturesome than anything they had achieved in the earlier age.

Before turning to a study of the internal trade and industry of the Cola country, mention Silver dish of must be made of a unique example, in Lampsacus. the second or third century A.D., of the working of Indian influence on the art and culture of the Roman Empire. The wide sway of Greco-Roman influences in India in Gandharan art and the art of Amaravati is now generally admitted. A silver dish found at Lampsacus, partly inlaid with gold and partly enamelled, † "furnishes a valuable proof of the excellent knowledge which the Romans possessed about India and of the interest which they took in that country." The dish figures a "personification of India seated on a peculiar Indian chair, the legs of which are formed by elephant tusks. Her right hand is lifted in the

^{*} Periplus p. 261

[†] Rostovtzeff op. cit. p. 126.

gesture of prayer, in her left she holds a bow. Around her are grouped Indian animals—a parrot, a guinea hen and two pet monkeys. Under her feet are two Indians leading a pet tiger and a pet panther, ready to fight, and making the gesture of adoration." * It is possible that the animals represented on the dish formed the chief objects of trade by the land route from India to the Roman Empire.

Among the industries of the Cola country as of South India in general, in this period Agriculture and as always, the chief place was held by Industry. agriculture. The high place of agriculture in the national economy and the phenomenal fertility of the soil in the basin of the Kaveri are, as we know, clearly reflected in the literature of the time. Many agricultural operations were done by women especially of the lower classes, the 'last classes' † (kadaisiyar) as one of the poets of the Puranānūru calls them. There is no clear evidence of the prevalence of predial slavery, though it is possible that most of the labourers of the 'last classes' did not differ much from slaves in their status. The bulk of the land was owned by vellālar, the agriculturists par excellence, who commanded a high social rank. The late commentator Naccinārkkiniyar distinguishes between the rich and the poor vellalas by describing them ‡ as 'those who maintained themselves by causing (land) to be ploughed. and ' those who maintained themselves by ploughing (land).' Of the former he says that besides owning land, they held official posts under the king in the civil and military administration, and the titles of Vēļ and Arasu in the Cola and of Kāvidi in the Pāndya country,

See also Warmington op. cit. p. 143 for a slightly different interpretation.

[†] Puram 61, 1. 1.

[‡] Tol, Porul. Ahattinai Su. 30.

and enjoyed the jus connubii with royal families. These were doubtless the nobles of the land who shared with the king the pleasures of war and chase and the table. The poorer vellalas did not shun manual labour and for the most part worked on their own lands, and not as hired day labourers on estates belonging to others. They were in fact the peasantry of the country who worked themselves and sought the assistance of hired labour as necessity arose. A casual simile in the Puranānūru, * which mentions the poor farmer who having no income from his fields had to eat up the seed-corn, may lead us to infer that drought and failure of crops were not altogether unknown. We have no information on tenancy-rights or on the taxation of land in this period.

Spinning and weaving of cotton, and perhaps also of silk, had attained a high degree of perfection. Spinning was then, as in later times, the by-occupation of women. † The weaving of complex patterns on cloth and silk is often mentioned in literature, and we have the authority of the Periplus that Uraiyur was a great centre of the trade in fine cotton stuffs. The Porunarārruppadai mentions I cotton cloth, thin like the slough of the snake, bearing fine floral designs and so finely woven that the eye cannot follow the course of the yarn. The same poem alludes elsewhere § to silk cloth with its threads gathered in small knots at its ends. The Manimekalai speaks of artistic patterns of cloth giving evidence of the marvellous dexterity of expert weavers. The cotton and silk trades, therefore, must have provided occupation to a considerable part

^{*} No. 230 ll. 12-3.

⁺ Pugam 125, 1. 1.

^{1 11. 82-3.}

^{§ 1. 155.}

[¶] iii. 167-8.

of the population. No detailed or specific information is forthcoming on the other trades of which a general idea may be gathered from the descriptions of city life quoted above. Cots made of leather straps plaited apparently on wooden frames are mentioned; and the leather workers came from the low class of the pulaiyas.* If the mention, in the Manimekalai, † of Magadhan artisans, Mahratha smiths, blacksmiths from Avanti and Yavana carpenters working by the side of Tamil craftsmen is not mere rhetoric, we may believe that by the side of foreign merchants from different countries in India and outside, there were also some industrial workers who had found more or less permanent employment in the Tamil lands by their excep-

tional skill in particular crafts. Much Barter. of the internal trade was carried on by barter, paddy forming the most commonly accepted medium of exchange. Salt, we have seen, was sold for paddy. We learn also # that honey and roots were exchanged for fish-oil and toddy, the sweet sugar-cane and aval & for venison and arrack. The ladies of the prosperous agriculturist families in the Pandya country poured the white paddy from their barns into the pots in which the hunter from the forest had brought venison, or the shepherdess had fetched curds. ¶ Paddy was accepted as the most common measure of value in rural economy in the Cola empire of the tenth century and later; the numerous inscriptions of that time furnish unmistakable evidence of the subordinate role of coin in the transactions of everyday life; the

^{*} Puram 82.

⁺ xix 11. 107-9.

[†] Porunar. 11. 214-17.

[&]amp; Rice-flakes obtained by pounding fried paddy-corn.

[¶] Puram 33, 11. 1-7.

same feature survived until very recently in the rural parts of the Tamil country. It may be inferred, therefore, that in the early centuries of the Christian era paddy was the common measure of value in internal trade; and that metallic currency entered only in transactions of foreign commerce. It must be noted however that some evidence, not quite conclusive, seems to indicate the presence at this period in Madura, and only there, of a body of foreign colonists who appear to have used regularly small copper coins in their day to day transactions. *

In no sphere is the influence of Aryan ideas on Tamil culture in early historical times Religion and more evident than in that of religion Mythology. and ethics. These ideas embodied in a number of myths, legends and social practices which form the common stock of practically the whole of India, had already become an integral part of the civilisation of the Tamils, and the Sangam literature affords instances without number of the thorough acquaintance of the Tamil poets with the Vedic and epic mythology of Sanskrit, and the ethical concepts of the Dharmasastras. An exhaustive study of the history of Indian Mythology, by tracing the stages through which each single legend passes before attaining a final and fixed form which it retains ever after, might lead to results of value to the internal chronology of the body of Sangam literature. Even otherwise, one can see that poems like the Silappadikāram and the Maņimēkalai which differ from the other poems of the Sangam, not only in their great length and their literary form, but in the much freer use they make of these northern legends and myths, must be

Sewell JRAS. 1904, pp. 609-15.

accounted to come rather late in the period and towards its close. Care must, however, be taken not to press this consideration too far, as it may, after all, be that the more or less epic form of these longer poems enabled their authors to paint the life and faith of their times more fully than the vignettes of the shorter pieces in the anthologies. In any case, it seems best not to mix up the evidence of the anthologies in these matters with that of the Śilappadikāram and the Manimēkalai, and to keep these apart.

The burning of the Three Cities (tripura) by Siva, a feat often attributed also to a mythical Cola king; Sibi saving the dove from the claws of a falcon; perhaps also the excavation of the eastern ocean by the Sagaras, and the stories of the Rāmāyana and the Mahābhārata are among the legends known to the poets of the anthologies. In the Silappadikāram and the Manimekalai we come across a much larger body of Aryan myth and legend more freely used by the authors in many contexts. The whole cycle of Kṛṣṇa legends including his adventures with shepherdesses, Viśvāmitra eating dog's flesh, Indra's misconduct with Ahalyā and the curse of Gautama, the incarnation of Visnu as a dwarf to bring ruin on Bali, the demon king *-these and other stories are used in these epics in so casual a manner that there can be no doubt about their common currency in the Tamil land at the time they were composed.

A number of quaint social customs and beliefs,
some of which may be of a non-Tamil
origin, can be traced in the literature
we have been dealing with. The practice of speeding the parting guest known as saptapadi

^{*} Mani xi ll. 84-87, xviii ll. 90 ff., xix ll. 51 ff.

in Sanskrit, is clearly mentioned in the Porunar-arrup. padai, * which says that Karikala accompanied his guest on foot for a distance of 'seven steps' before requesting him to mount a chariot drawn by four milk-white steeds. Each householder laid out some food, rice mixed with flesh, every day before his meal, for crows to feed on, † The slaughter of a cow, the destruction of a foetus, the killing of a brahman were counted among the most heinous offences, but worse than these was ingratitude, according to the established code. ‡ Women of the courtesan class when they were guilty of unprofessional conduct were punished by being compelled to carry seven bricks on their heads round the public hall (arangu) and apparently expelled from the class thereafter. § A bath in the sea at Kanyākumari was held to absolve a woman from the sin of incest; at any rate it was accepted as an act of penance for those who had incurred the sin. ¶ After child-birth women bathed at night in tanks on the tenth day. || The phenomena of possession and the evil eye were believed in ** and carefully guarded against by the hair of children being dressed with ghee and white mustard. Divination was practised †† and faith in omens was common. The author of the Śilappadikāram says picturesquely that coming events were foreshadowed by the throbbing of the left eye of Kannaki and the right one of Madavi ‡‡ on the day of the festival of Indra.

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* 11. 165-7.
† Porunar. 11. 182-4.
‡ Puram 34, 11. 1-7.
§ Mani xviii, 11. 33-4 cf. Sil. xiv, 1. 146.
¶ Mani v. 37; xiii, 5-7.
∥ ibid vii, 75-76 and n.
** ibid vi. 1. 127; iii, 134.
†† ibid xxi, 128-9.
11 Sil. v. 237-40.
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There was no single method adopted for the disposal of the dead, and both cremation Disposal of and inhumation with or without urns the dead. are freely mentioned. And there appears to have prevailed considerable latitude in the choice of the method to be followed on each particular occasion in the same family. * And the Manimekalai mentions the construction of brick tombs of various shapes built by the relatives of the dead whether they were sages or kings or women who had become Sati. † It would appear that the shapes of these structures varied with the caste and rank of the persons commemorated by them. The funeral drum striking terror into the hearts of listeners is also mentioned in the same poem. ‡

Sati is frequently mentioned and was fairly common, but by no means universal. The celebrated utterance of the queen of Bhūta Pāṇḍya § shows that it was more or less the general practice to dissuade women who had lost their husbands from immolating themselves and that the practice was by no means encouraged, much less enforced. There can be no manner of doubt, however, that the heroism and devotion of the Sati were applauded by public opinion. The true wife was indeed she who, at the death of her husband, entered his burning pyre as if she were entering the cool water in a tank for bathing. ¶ Still, the more human, though less heroic, ideal that women were ordinarily expected to adopt is perhaps best expressed in the lines of the

^{*} Puram 239, 11. 20-21.

⁺ Mani. vi. 54-59.

[‡] ibid. 1. 71.

[§] Puram, 246.

[¶] Puram 246 and Mani. ii ll. 42-5; xvi 23 ff.; xviii 11-15

Manimekalai, * which contrast the daily life of the family woman with that of the hetaera by saying that the former was under guard in her maidenhood as in her married state, and so also when her husband was no more, that she controlled her mind and did not meet strangers and that she offered worship to no god other than her wedded husband. The Kural is silent on Sati. To lead a life of religious devotion in widowhood was recognised as proper for women of all classes. The Sati then was the exception rather than the rule, and we do not hear of a single instance of an unwilling woman being forced to it.

That the ritualism of Brahmanical Hinduism had struck root in the Tamil country in this early period must have become clear from the references already cited to the costly sacrifices performed by the Cola monarchs of the time. The regular day to day fire-worship of the Brahmans is mentioned by the Maniniekalai; † and a song of Avūr Mūlam-kilūr in the Puranānūru which eulogises the Brahman Viṇṇandāyan of the Kauṇḍinya-gotra who lived in Pūnjūrur in the Cola country gives an idea of the high position held in society by prominent Śrōtriya families: ‡

"O! Scion of the celebrated race of wise men who laid low the strength of those that opposed Siva's ancient lore, who saw through the sophistry of the false doctrines, and preferring the truth and shunning error, completed the twenty-one ways of Vedic sacrifice! § Worn by you on the occasion of the sacrifice, the skin of the grass-eating stag of the forest shines over the sacred cord on your shoulder. Your wives, suited

^{*} xviii, 11. 98-102.

⁺ v, l. 133.

[‡] Pugam 166.

[§] ie., performed the twenty-one varieties of Vedic sacrifices.

to your station, gentle and of rare virtue, wearing the netlike garment laid down in the Sāstra (for such occasions), sparing of speech, with small foreheads, large hips, abundant tresses, are carrying out the duties set for them. From the forest and from the town, having twice seven paśus in their proper places, supplying ghee more freely than water, making offerings which numbers cannot reckon and spreading your fame to make the whole world jealous, at the rare culmination of the sacrifice your exalted station gains a new splendour. May we ever witness it so! I, for my part, shall go, eat, drink, ride and enjoy myself in my village by the cool Kāviri, which gets its flowery freshes when the thunder cloud roars on the golden peaks of the Western mountains; may you, for your part, stand thus stable without change, like the tall Himalaya which towers above the clouds and whose sides are covered with bamboos."

This ode shows not only the dominance of Vedic ritualism, but contains an allusion to disputes between the followers of the Veda and other religionists, the latter being stigmatised as followers of false doctrines and sophists who make the false appear true. What these other religions were can only be guessed; most likely they were Buddhism and Jainism which had a vogue in the Tamil country from very early times. The ceremony of upanayana is clearly known to the Manimekalai which mentions Brahmans who began the study of the Veda soon after they were invested with the sacred cord. * The twice-born are mentioned in the Puram. † Even in the houses of merchants marriages were, as has been seen, performed according to Vedic ritual. The Tolkappiyam defines karpu in a manner which implies that, in one important respect, the distinction between kalavu and karpu was based on the difference between the indigenous Tamil form of marriage and the exotic Aryan form which had been superposed on it:

^{*} xiii 11. 23-24.

[†] No. 367, 1. 12.

"Karpu is that (form) in which a bridegroom from a family fit to accept, accepts a bride given by persons of a family fit to give her and takes her to wife with the (proper) ritual." *

We learn further that the rites of marriage might be performed even when there happened to be no one to dispose of the marriageable girl, and that the rites primarily meant for the three higher classes, might also be adopted on occasions by the lower. † We are told, in fine, that these rituals were ordained by the sages (aiyar) after falsehood and sin had made their appearance. ‡ This last statement distinctly recalls the legends of the origin of human marriage current among Sanskrit writers and detailed fully in the Mahābhārata. As has been rightly pointed out, § such "myths are interesting but of no scientific value. ... When men meditated upon the marriage ceremonial and system, they would naturally infer a time when there was not only no rite, but no institution of marriage."

From all accounts, Hinduism was the dominant religion in the Tamil country in this period. Within its spacious fold were worshipped all the gods of an extensive and eclectic pantheon ranging from the Great God with an eye on his forehead to the little demon (būtam) of the crossroads. I Four divinities seem to have occupied a more distinguished position than the rest, I and they were Siva who is often placed at the head of the pantheon, Balarāma and Kṛṣṇa who are frequently described together, and Murugan, apparently the favourite deity

^{*} Tol. Porul. Karpu, Su. 1.

⁺ ibid. Su. 2, 3.

¹ ibid. Su. 4.

[&]amp; Crawley-The Mystic Rose ii, 259.

[¶] Mani, i 11, 54-5.

[#] Sil. v 11, 169-72, xiv 11, 7-10.

of the Tamils. The worship of Murugan embodied some indigenous features like the vēlanādal. Indra came in also for special worship as on the occasion of the festival held in Puhar in his honour. That music and dance were from early times closely intertwined with religious rites is seen from the descriptions in the Silappadikāram of the more or less primitive worship of Korravai by vēttuvar, of Kṛṣṇa (Kaṇṇan) by shepherdesses and of Murugan by kuravas. A temple of Saraswati is mentioned in the Manimekalai, * which also alludes to the presence of kapalikas. † If the author of the Kalavali was the same as the Vaisnava saint Poygaiyar who is counted among the three earliest ālvārs, then we shall have to trace to this period also the beginnings of the bhakti cult of the Vaisnavas, and there is nothing improbable in this. The Manimekalai appears to mention even the Visnupurāna. ‡

Belief in reincarnation, the effects of karma in successive births and the power of Fate was part of the common basis of all religion in India, and this is clearly seen to have been generally accepted in the Tamil country also. The practice of austerities (tapas) was held to be meritorious and productive of great good. § The joyous faith in good living that breathes through the poems of the Sangam age gradually gives place to the pessimistic outlook on life that is, in the last resort, traceable to the emphasis laid by Buddhism on the sorrows of life and its doctrine that the only way of

^{*} xiii, l. 106.

⁺ vi. 86.

¹ xxvii l. 98. See PK. pp. 20-21.

[§] Porunar, 11. 91-2.

escape was the repression of the will to live. This note of sadness, already traceable in Uraiyūr Mudukannan Sattanar, * becomes more pronounced in the setting of the Manimekalai which contains a round denunciation of the fools who, not meditating upon the ruthlessness of Death, spend their time in the blind enjoyment of carnal pleasures. † In all important centres in the Tamil country there were Jaina temples and Buddhist caityas and monasteries in which Buddhist and Jaina monks lived and preached their tenets to those who cared to listen. ‡ Aravanavadigal, the celebrated Buddhist monk, whom the Manimekalai connects successively with Puhār, Vañji and Kāncī, even though he may not be a historical figure, § may well be looked upon as a type familiar to town-dwellers in those times. We have no means whatever of estimating with any certainty the numbers professing these religions or the extent of their influence in society.

^{*} Fugam 27; see ante p. 48.

⁺ vi 11. 97 ff.

[‡] See s. v. Arugan and Puttan in the Indexes to the Silappadikāram and Maņimīkalai; and Maduraikkānji ll. 475-87.

[§] He has been identified on rather insufficient grounds with Dharmapala, JOR. 1927, pp. 197 ff.

CHAPTER V

FROM THE SANGAM AGE TO VIJAYĀLAYA

The transition from the Sangam age to that in which the Pandyas of the line of After the Kadungon and the Pallavas of the Sangam Age. Simhavisnu line divide for three centuries the Tamil land between them is completely hidden from our view. The same darkness shrouds the fortunes of the Colas for three centuries more, until the accession of Vijayalaya in the second quarter of the ninth century. Epigraphy and literature, however, provide a few peep-holes through which we obtain glimpses of the interesting transformations that come over this ancient line of kings in this long interval. One thing seems certain, that when the power of the Colas fell to a low ebb and that of the Pallavas and the Pandyas rose to the north and south of them, the scions of this ancient royal line found themselves compelled to seek service and patronage under their more successful rivals; this is a feature common to several dynasties of Indian kings in the days of their tribulation. The Western Calukyas in the period of Rāṣṭrakūṭa power, the Eastern Cālukyas between Rājarāja's conquest of Vengi and the accession of Kulottunga I to the Cola throne, the Pandyas and the Pallavas themselves, besides the Gangas and the Bāṇas after the expansion of the Cola power under the successors of Vijayālaya, are among the most conspicuous examples of this common feature of Indian history. Ancient memories die hard, and great dynastic names, though borne for a time in obscurity, have often, with a turn in the wheel of fortune, been the cause of a renascence of power and glory. It may be

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doubted if, for all their troubles in this period, the Colas ever completely lost their hold on Uraiyūr. Vijayālaya when he comes into prominence rises from the same neighbourhood, and the remotest claimants to Cola descent in the Telugu country, and even further north, glory in the names of Uraiyūr and the Kāvēri; contemporary epigraphical evidence may also be cited

pointing to the same conclusion. The dispersion of the Cōlas in the period of their weakness, the poor and dispossessed among them going out in quest of fortune, is attested by the occurrence of names of princes and chieftains claiming Cōla connections in places as far removed from one another as Koḍumbālūr (Pudukottah), Siyyāli (Shiyali), Hēmavati and Mālēpāḍu. The Pāṇḍyas of Uceangi, the Manryas of Konkan, the Guttas of Guttal (Bombay), like the Cōlas of the Telugu country, are examples of what may be styled dynastic drift in Indian History.

The Vēļvikudi grant of the Pāṇḍyas and some Pallava charters mention the obscure clan of the Kaļabhras who were responsible for much political unsettlement in the country, and whose overthrow formed the first step in the resuscitation of the power of the Pāṇḍyas and the Pallavas

^{*} Venkayya observes: 'It is at present impossible to ascertain how these Telugu chiefs came to claim the relationship with Karikāla.' (ARE. 1900, paragraph 45). Strictly, this is quite true. As I understand the matter, however, there was a somewhat live connection between the Cōlas of the Telugu (Rēnāṇḍu) country and the Tamil Cōlas; the Mālēpāḍu plates of Puṇyak māra, I think, form an important link in the chain of evidence, and suggest that the Pallava dominion of the Simhaviṣṇu line may have been the medium through which the drift of Cōlas to the north took place. The attempts to explain the origin of the Telugu-Cōḍas by supposing that the Telugu country formed part of the empire of the early Cōla king, Karikāla, appear to be so much wasted effort. We can hardly treat the legends of the eleventh and twelfth centuries as the history of the third or fourth. See Studies pp. 32-6, 64-6. Contra Venkayya ASI, 1905-6 p. 175 u. 8.

towards the end of the sixth century. We may assume that the predatory activities of the Kalabhras * brought the power of the early Cōlas also to an end. The absence of any allusion to this fact in the Cōla inscriptions and copper-plates of the Vijayālaya line is easily accounted for. Unlike the Pāṇḍyas and the Pallavas who quickly succeeded in wresting from the hands of the Kalabhras what they had lost to them sometime before, the Cōlas were submerged for nearly three centuries under the rising tide of the Pāṇḍya and Pallava powers. They could not find their feet again until these newly risen forces had spent themselves in mutual hostility. In the writings of Buddhadatta † we have singularly interesting evidence on the rule of the

Kalabhras in the Cola country. The Buddhadatta. date of Buddhadatta is, unfortunately, not as certain as has sometimes been assumed; the tradition that makes him a contemporary of Buddhaghosa is late, and not warranted by any statement in the extensive works of either of these divines. # Buddhadatta might have been the earlier of the two to visit Ceylon for studying Buddhism. It is quite certain, however, that he lived in the dark period of South Indian history after the light of the Sangam literature fails, and before a fresh dawn commences with the Pandya and Pallava charters mentioned above; and his evidence is all the more welcome. At the close of his Abhidhammāvatāra, he gives a glowing account of Kāvēripattaņa, with its concourse of rich merchants.

^{*} See PK. pp. 47-9.

[†] Buddhadatta's Manuals-Part I (1915) and Part II (1928)-ed, A. P. Buddhadatta (Pali Text Society).

[‡] Cf. A. P. Buddhadatta's introduction to Part II of the Manuals; contra P. T. Srinivasa Aiyangar-Tanils p. 528. He makes nonsense of the line 'Ayam sumatinā sādhu yācitena kato tato' by translating it: "(By me) who am intelligent and good and a beggar, this was composed and propounded extensively."

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its palaces and pleasure-gardens, * and states that, in a great monastery built there by Khandadasa, he lived for a time and composed that work at the very proper request of Sumati, evidently one of his pupils. Likewise he informs us at the end of his Vinayaviniccaya that he composed that work for the sake of Buddhasiha. while he was residing in the lovely monastery of Venhudāsa in a city on the banks of the Kāvēri, by name Bhūtamangalam, † described by him as the hub of Colarattha. He adds also that this work was begun and finished when Accutavikkanta Accuta Kalabba. of the Kalabhrakula was ruling the earth. † This Accuta could have been no other than the king of the same name who is reputed, in literary tradition, § to have kept in confinement the three Tamil kings, the Cēra, Cōla and Pāndya. Some songs about him are quoted by Amitasagarar, the author of the Yāpparungalak-kārikai, in the tenth century A. D. Possibly Accuta was himself a Buddhist. At any rate, by calling the Kalabhras a tribe of Kali kings and stating that they uprooted many adhirājar and meddled with brahmadēya rights, the Vēlvikudi grant makes it clear that there was no love lost between these interlopers and the people of the lands overrun by them. In the colophons to his works, Buddhadatta is called an inhabitant of Uragapura which perhaps means that Uraiyūr was his native place.

^{*} This fine description may raise a doubt whether the story of the destruction of the city by a tidal wave (Manimizkalai xxv II, 194-204) is to be accepted as literally true,

[†] The identification of this place with Būdalūr (P. T. Srinivasa Aiyangar op. cit. p. 531) is doubtful.

¹ Accut Accutavikkante Kalabbhakulavaddhane / Mahim samanusāsante āraddhō ca samāpitō //

A. P. Buddhadatta adopts the reading Kalambakula, and holds them to be Kadambas.

[§] Tamil Navalar Caritai vv. 154-57.

Of these Dhananjaya is represented by a single stone inscription * in the Cuddapah district and possibly by some others in Hēmavati and Nidugal. several of the stone inscriptions mentioned above belong to Cola Maharaja, none of them adds anything to our knowledge of the king's reign, and we have no direct means of explaining his titles, among which occurs an ambitious claim to the overlordship of the three Tamil kingdoms of the South. The title of Pṛthivīvallabha borne by Punyakumāra, and the name of his queen Vasanta-Pori-Cola-Mahadevi + show his connection with the Calukyas. It is difficult to say whether he or his father was ruling at the time of Yuan Chwang's visit; but there can be no doubt that this line of rulers had an important role in the hostilities between the Pallavas and Calukyas of this period. King Colamahārājādhirāja Vikramāditya Satyāditya and his queen Eļancola Mahādēvi ‡ are no doubt other members of the same family who do not figure in the short genealogy of the Malepadn plates. It is to be observed that this king has a higher title than the usual Cola Maharaja, his territory including Siddhi 1000 (Sidhout country) besides the Rēnāndu 7000. A Cōla Māhārāja Knmārānkuśa figures as the vijnapti in the Velurpalaiyam plates of the sixth year of the Pallava king, Nandivarman III. § The history of this line cannot be fully understood until fresh discoveries are made. But it is already clear that they form the link connecting the early Colas of the Tamil country and the numerous dynasties of petty chieftains in the Telugu and Karnataka country claiming to have

^{* 380} of 1904 (Rangachari-Cd. 435).

^{† 384} of 1904 (Rangachari-Cd. 560);

^{† 393} and 400 of 1904 (Rangachari Cd. 453 and 409). Vikramāditya II claims to have conquered the Colas among others. S.H. i p. 146: EI, v. p. 204.

[§] SII. ii 509 v. 26.

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been of the Kāśyapa Götra and to have descended from Karikāla and ruled at Uraiyūr.*

Of the Colas of the Tamil country in this period we know even less than we do about Colas in the Tamil the Renandu Colas; for though there land. are fugitive references to them in the epigraphs and the literature bearing on the age, which show that the Colas lingered on the banks of the Kāvēri all the time, they tell us little else of historical interest. And no epigraphical or architectural monuments of this period that can be directly attributed to the Colas have yet been discovered. No conclusion can be based on the absence of any reference to the Cola kingdom in the Allahabad pillar inscription of Samudragupta, as the limits of his conquests are now known to have been much narrower than they appeared once. † The Pallava charters furnish the bulk of the epigraphical evidence on the Colas during this period, and this is, at times, finely supplemented

by the W. Cāļukya and Pāṇḍya grants. The Vēlūrpāļaiyam plates describe Buddhavarmā of the late fourth or early fifth century A. D. as 'the submarine fire to the ocean of the Cōḷa army.' ‡ Again, Simhaviṣṇu (c. 575-600 A. D.) is stated to have seized the Cōḷa country watered by the Kāvēri and adorned by groves of areca-palms and rich paddy fields. § About the same time the Cāḷukyas claim to have conquered the Cōḷas; ¶ either the

^{* 231} of 1908 (Bastar) E.I. xi p. 338. Even the Kākatīyas sometimes connected themselves with Karikāla. See also E.I. v p. 123, n. and Cat. of copperplates (Mad. Mus.) p. 14 for the undated plates of Srīkantha.

[†] Much less can anything be made of the silence of the Satavahana inscripation recording Gautamiputra's conquests. Contra Venkayya-ASI, 1905-6176 n.

[†] SII. ii p. 508 l. 14.

[§] ibid 11. 16-17.

[¶] Kielhorn's List of SII. No. 5 (EI. vii).

claim is false, or the Renandu Colas are meant. Mahendravarman (c. 600-630 A. D.) was proud of his sway over the Cola country; and in his inscriptions the Trichinopoly rock is called the crown of the Cola country, * and Lord Siva enjoins the king to build a temple for him on the rock as otherwise he would miss the sight of the rich splendour of the land of the Colas. † In a grandiose and apparently meaningless enumeration of kings overthrown by Narasimhavarman I (c. 630-660 A. D.), the Küram grant (of Paramēśvara-varman I) includes the Cola among the countries conquered by him. ‡ The Aihōle inscription of Pulakēśin II (634 A. D.) states that he confined the power of the Pallavas inside the four walls of Kancipuram and thus brought prosperity to the Cola, Kerala and Pandya. § Vikramaditya I, the successor of Pulakēsin II, also claims conquest of the Cola country, and his Gadval plates (674 A. D.) mention his victorious camp in the ancient Cola capital Uraiyur on the southern bank of the Kaveri. The Velvikudi grant tells us that the Pandya king Koccadaiyan Ranadhīra (c. 710-40 A. D.) assumed the title Sembiyan, among others, thereby implying that a part of the traditional Cola country passed under his sway. The Trichinopoly inscription || of Mārañjadaiyan calls him the tilaka of two races, the lunar and the solar. The Colas are

^{*} SII. i, 33.

^{† &}quot;Vibhūtim Cōļānām katham anam avekṣeya vipulām",—ibid, 34. Hultzsch understands by 'vibhūtim Cōļānām' 'the great power of the Cōļas'. But as it is not a proper description of the position of the Cōļas after their conquest by Simhaviṣṇu, and as such a description is hardly likely to be found in a Pallava grant, I take 'Cōļānām' to mean the country.

[†] SII. i, p. 151 ll. 14-5.

[§] El. vi, p. 6, verses 29-31.

 $[\]P$ EI. x, p. 103. Uragapura is not as Hultzsch thought Negapatam, but Uraiyār near Trichinopoly.

_! ASI. 1903-4 p. 275.

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counted by the Sinnamanūr plates among the allies of the Pallavas who sustained a severe defeat near Kumbakōṇam at the hands of Śrī Māra Śrī-Vallabha (c. 815-62 A. D.).

Religious tradition confirms our general inference that the Colas, though they had lost Literature. their power, did not disappear totally from the banks of the Kaveri at this time. The Perina Puranam, a work of the twelfth century A. D., contains traditional information of some value. It tells us that the Pandya contemporary of Tiru-Nanasambandar had for his queen a Cola princess of the name Mangaiyark-karasi. Pugalccola-Nayanar was a Cola rnler of Uraiyūr who held Karuvūr in subjection. conquered an Adigan * and promoted Saivism. The Purāņam also affirms that when a petty chieftain of Kalandai, who became, later, celebrated as Kūrruva-Nayanar, wanted the Brahmans of Cidambaram to invest him with the diadem and thus confer the dignity of royalty on him in recognition of his extensive conquests, they declined to do so on the ground that only the ancient family of the Colas was entitled to this high privilege, and, to avoid further trouble, migrated to the Cera country in a body. The family of another Nayanar, Eyarkon-kalikkaman, was living in a village on the banks of the Kāvēri, and devoting itself to agriculture and military service under the Cola monarchs. † Lastly, a Cola prince married a Pandyan princess and lived at Madura when Sundaramurti visited the place in the company of Śeraman

^{*} The dynastic name of the chiefs of Tagadur (Dharmapuri).

[†] The references are easily got in any edition of the *Periya Purāṇam*. See also ASI. 1905 o pp. 176-7. I cannot discover why Venkayya shou'd have included Idangali, a v7f chieftain of Könādu (Pudukkottah) in his account of the Cölas of this period.

Perumāļ. * Though Śēkkilār, the author of the Periya Purāņam, is our main authority for these statements, many of them are also found in Nambi Andar Nambi's brief andādi which was the basis of the Purānam, and the names at least of the kings and chieftains go back to the time of Sundaramurti, in the eighth century A. D. The Divyasūri-carita and the Guru-paramparā tell the same tale from the Vaisnava side. Dēvadēvi, the hetaera who captivated alvar Tondaradippodi for a time, met the holy man first when she was returning from the court of the Cola king at Uraiyur. The celebrated Uraiyūr-nācciyār, who declined to marry a mortal, and insisted successfully on her union with Lord Ranganātha, was a Cola princess, the daughter of Dharmavarma of the solar line ruling at Uraiyūr. Tirumangai-āļvār started life as a military official appointed by the Cola king. Possibly, some of these literary references to the Colas are due to the mere fact that the works in which they occur were composed in the days of Cola ascendancy; but the unmistakable references to the Pallava contemporaries of the earlier alvars and nayanars in these works are sufficient indication that some old and gennine traditions must have survived at the time and that a few, though not all, of the allusions to the Colas culled from these books may be quite trustworthy.

We see then that in the long historical night that envelops the Colas from the third or fourth to the ninth century A.D., their condition is best described as one of suspended animation. They managed, in some manner hidden from view, to find a second home for themselves in the Renandu country. In their original abode, they bent low before every storm that passed

^{*} Straman Perumal-Nayanar Puranam v. 92.

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over them and bided their time. For aught we know. they were occupied in finding suitable matches for their children, often with a view to political influence. with their more successful rivals, and in promoting the religious movements of the time. Buddhism and Jainism seem to have dominated the land for a while; Accuta, the Kalabhra king, was a Buddhist; and there were adherents of Jainism among the Pandya and Pallava rulers; the rich monastery of Negapatam with its large Buddha image of solid gold was, according to the Guruparamparā, looted by Tirumangai-ālvār. Buddhadatta gives testimony to the construction, at an earlier period, of two large monasteries in the Cola country. But, thanks to the pious exertions of the ālvārs and nāyanārs, who led a great Hindu revival, and gave fervent expression to the cult of bhakti in the language of the people, the spread of the protestant faiths was stopped and the orthodox creeds restored to their place of dominance. The Colas, in an unostentatious way, assisted the Hindu revival by lending their support impartially to the apostles of Vaisnavism and Saivism.

CHAPTER VI

THE RISE OF VIJAYĀLAYA. ĀDITYA I

(c. 850-907 A. D.)

"At the head of the great battle of Śrī Purambiya, this hero (Prthivipati I) quickly defeat-Śrī Purambiyam. ed Varaguna, the Lord of the Pandyas; and having, at the expense of his own life, secured that his friend was Aparājita (unconquered) in fact as in name, he ascended to heaven." * In these terms the Udayendiram plates of Ganga Prthivipati II record the part of his ancestor and namesake in the decisive battle which proved to be a turning-point in the history of Southern India. For the Pandyas never recovered from this staggering blow, and the Pallavas, though victory remained with them in the battle, owed it more to their allies than to their own strength. Thoroughly exhausted by incessant warfare on two fronts, against the Calukyas and Pandyas, they were themselves in no position to pursue the advantage gained. Among the allies of the Pallavas were, besides the Ganga fendatory, the Cola ruler Aditya I who, though he must have taken a subordinate place in the battle of Śrī Purambiyam, very soon discovered his advantage, and commanded the strength and energy to pursue it. The latest date known for Prthivipati I is A. D. 879; † the battle in which he lost his life must have taken place about that date.

^{*} SII. ii, No. 76, v. 18; 337 of 1912.

[†] Rangachari, NA. Nos. 536-7; El. iv, pp. 180-3.

VIJAYALAYA AND ADITYA I

Āditya I was the son of Vijayālaya, the first of the Imperial line of Colas. An inscription Vijayālaya. from the Trichinopoly district * mentions a grant of land made in accordance with an earlier charter issued by Parakesari Vijayalaya, and this shows that the revival of Cola power at this time begins from the neighbourhood of Uraiyūr, their ancient home on the banks of the Kaveri. The Tiruvālangādu plates † quaintly affirm that Vijayālaya caught hold of Tanjore for his pleasure Conquest of as if the city were his lawful sponse. Tanjore, and that he founded a temple to goddess Nişumbhasüdinī (Durgā). Notwithstanding the high authority of Hultzsch, we can scarcely think that Vijayālaya became powerful enough to leave stone records in distant places like Kāncīpuram and Ukkal ‡ and Sucindram. On the other hand, in a record of the fifth year of Vikrama Cola from Kilputtur in the North Arcot District, there is a specific reference to a stone inscription of the fourth year of Vijayalaya. Possibly Vijayālaya, though a vassal of the Pallava rnler, still dated records in his own regnal years-a privilege exercised by certain vassals at all times and by all of them when the power of their suzerain was on

^{* 675} of 1909. A Vijavālaya-caturvēdimangalam is mentioned among the brahmadēya villages which were required to supply men for service in the Tanjore temple in Rājarāja's reign (SII, ii 69, para 139). See also 164 of 1915 (Vikrama Cōļa 5) for a reference to a kal-veffu of the tourth year of Vijayāhya in the North Arcot district. A Pāṇḍya inscription of the thirteenth century from Nārttāmalai (Pd. 282) mentions a Vijayāhayacōjēšvara temple.

[†] SII. iii, No. 205 vv. 45 and 46. The Kanyākumāri inscription of Vīra-rājēndra (TAS, iii, p. 142, v. 54) exaggerates this and says that Vijayālaya founded Tanjore. The Anbil plates pun on his name Vijayālaya in praising his valout on the battle-field (v. 16).

[‡] See S.H. 1, Nos. 85, 148 and iii, No. 11, and Kielhorn's List E.I. vn, App. Nos. 672-75. Krishna Sastri's argument at S.H. iii, p. 267 and n. 2 does not convince me.

the decline. It is certain, however, that some of the Parakësari records nearer home are really his. *

What was the political position of Vijayalaya and from whom did he capture Tanjore? His political In order to answer these questions, we position. must try and establish the probable date of Vijayālaya's rule. This is easily ascertained by calculating backwards from the accession of Parantaka I, the grandson of Vijayālaya. The accession of Parantaka has been fixed by Kielhorn Chronology. between 15th January and 25th July A. D. 907. † This date rests on the copions and unimpeachable testimony of astronomical data drawn from his numberless stone inscriptions, and forms the sheet-anchor of Cola chronology in this period. The duration of the reign of Parantaka's father, Aditya I, was at least twenty-seven years, possibly more. A very interesting record from Tirukkaluk-kungam, # dated in the twenty-seventh year of Rajakesari, may for very good reasons be ascribed to Aditya; palaeographically, it certainly belongs to the time before Parantaka; the subject-matter of the record is the renewal of the gifts of some lands to the local temple, made originally by Skandasisya and continued by Pādāvikonda Narasingapöttaraiyar, both well-known Pallava kings. Such a renewal is normal after a conquest, and as Aditya I is known to have conquered the Pallavas and annexed the Tondaimandalam to the Cola country, it is practically certain that this inscription is one of Aditya's. should also be observed that in the earliest copper-plate grant, so far known, of this line, Aditya I is simply

^{* 436, 439} of 1908 from Tiruvilimilalai.

[†] EL viii. p. 260.

^{‡ 167} of 1894; EL iii, p. 279.

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called Rājakēsari, * without any other name. How much longer Āditya ruled after the date of the Tiruk-kalnk-kunram inscription cannot now be ascertained. But an inscription from Takkōlam dated in the 24th year of Rājakēsari, no doubt Āditya I, mentions a solar eclipse which occurred in 894 or 895 A. D. † This would give A. D. 870 or 871 for the accession of Āditya, and a rule of about 36 years for him till 907 A. D. We thus get 870 or thereabouts for the close of the reign of Vijayālaya, which might have begun, therefore, sometime before 850 A. D. ‡

The date thus obtained for the beginning of Vijayālaya's rule is some years earlier than the date of the accession to the Pāṇḍyan kingdom of Varaguṇavarman, who sustained defeat at Śrī Purambiyam, near Kumba-kōṇam in the Tanjore district. The power of the Pāṇḍyas was still, at the accession of Varaguṇa, quite considerable in spite of the set-back it suffered after the battle of the Ariśil in the reign of his father. § At this time, moreover, the enterprising chieftains known

to history as the Muttaraiyar were in possession of part of the fertile delta land in the Tanjore district; their inscriptions come from Sendalai ¶ and clearly describe them as ruling Tanjore also, though they had

Anbil Plates (FL xv) vv. 17-18.

⁺ El. xix, No. 12.

[‡] K. V. Subrahmanya Aiyar observes. "If Vijayīlaya came of the same family as the Cōla Mahūrāja Kumūrānkuša, it is very likely that he wa the grandson of his". TAS. iii, p. 108. Kumūrānkuša, as we have seen, figures as the vijāapti in the Vēlūrpālanyam plates of Nandivarman III. It is extremely doubtful, however, if he and Vijayūlaya belonged to one and the same branch of the Cōlas. See ante p. 124.

[§] PK. pp. 73 ff.

[¶] E.I. xiii pp. 134 ff. where these records are tentatively referred to the first half of the 8th century A.D. (p. 136). Note particularly Tuñjait-tiram pūdi ningūr; Tuñjaik-kōn; Tuñjai narpugaļūļan occurring in them.

their head-quarters at Sendalai or Niyamam. Like the Colas, the Muttaraiyar found it impossible to set up an independent rule, and had to support themselves by clinging to the Pandyas or the Pallavas.

Their inscriptions and their titles show that they played a clever game and were ready The Muttaraivar. to change their allegiance to suit their In Varaguna's time, either of their own accord or as a result of temptations offered by Varaguna, they appear to have thrown in their lot with the Pandyas. The result was that they lost Tanjore, which was captured by Vijayālaya acting in the interest of the Pallavas. Little could the Pallava ruler have suspected that in thus employing his Cola subordinate, he was, as the Indian saying has it, training his tiger-cub to a taste for blood. Nor could Vijayālaya have dreamt that his vicarious victory was to be the beginning of one of the most splendid empires known to Indian History.

The success of Vijayālaya meant the weakening of the Muttaraiya allies of the Pāṇḍya Varagnṇavarman. who undertook an expedition calculated to redress the balance. This began well enough, and Iḍavai, on the north bank of the Kāvēri in the Cōla country, was reached * But the Pallava ruler Aparājita who succeeded Nṛpatungavarman, just before this Pāṇḍya invasion, made a great effort. He got all his allies together, most prominent among them being the Ganga king Pṛthivīpati I. The alliance between the Gangas and the Pallavas was of ancient standing, and though there is no definite evidence to prove it, we may assume

^{* 690} of 1905 (Rangachari - Mr. 8). The name Pandiyanai ven - kanda-sõla-caturvedimangalam is applied to this place in a late record (42 of 1914) dated \$.1369; this can hardly be a reference to the discomfiture of Varagunavarman. Contra Rangachari Tj. 185.

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that the Cōla Āditya, who succeeded his father in the meanwhile, also fought on the side of Aparājita* in the great battle of Śrī Purambiyam. More lucky than the Ganga monarch, Āditya lived to share the spoils of victory. Possibly, in his gratitude to his Cōla ally, Aparājita not only allowed Āditya to keep what his father had taken from the Muttaraiyar, but added some new territory in the neighbourhood to the sphere of his rule. Such were the humble beginnings of the great empire of the Cōlas.

Of Āditya (c. 871-907 A. D.) the Anbil plates state only that on both the banks of the Kāvēri he built in honour of Śiva rows of tall stone temples which stood, the monuments of his success, from the Sahayādri mountain to the wide

* Inscription 337 of 1912 (Rangachari Ct, 226) of Priduvayya mentioning the t of a state of fragmentary to throw any light on the political relations of the age. Contra Dubreurl, Pallavas p. 83. T. A. Gopinatha Rao writes (EL xv. p. 49). 'It is known from other records that Aditya and the Pāṇḍya king Varaguṇa marched against the Pallava Nṛpatungavarman, otherwise known also by the name of Aparājitavarman, defeated and killed him.' Apart from the identification of Aparājita with Nṛpatunga for which there is no evidence, it is difficult to believe that the expedition which led to the overthrow of Aparājita had anything to do with Varaguṇavarman's campaign. As I understand the evidence, it was different, and most probably, some years later. (See Dubreuil-Pallavas p. 84)

It must be admitted, however, that our view of the relation between the Colas and the Pallavas in the time of Vijayalava and in the early years of Aditya I is not final. It is quite likely that the aggrandisement of Vijavalaya at the expense of the Muttaraiyar had nothing whatever to do with the struggle between the Pandyas and the Pallavas. In that case, Vijayahaya took advantage of the confusion in the borderland between the dominions of the Pandyas and the Pallavas, and his son also gained by the weakening of both after Sri Pugambiyam. See, however, El, xix p. 87 n. 6. Yet another view may be taken: The Muttaraiyar being allies of the Pallavas, the Colas may, under Vijavalaya, have found occasion to join the Pandyas and to throw off the Pallava yoke. On this supposition the capture of Tanjore by Vijayalaya would be at once an act of aggression undertaken by him against the Pallava, to favour the Pandya, and a decisive step in the assertion of Cola independence from Pallava suzerainty. On this assumption, it is not unlikely that Aditya fought on Varaguna's side at Sri Pugambiyam. An objection to this view is the difficulty of explaining how, after the defeat he suffered on this occasion, Aditya recovered sufficiently to overthrow Aparajita later, and why Aparajita failed, after his success at Sri Purambiyam, to reassert his supremacy over the Cola.

ocean. * The Tiruvālangāḍn plates state that he over-threw the strong Pallava ruler Aparājita, † and deprived him of his territory. The Kanyākumāri inscription gives him the surname Kōdaṇḍarāma, and states that in a battle he pounced upon and slew the Pallava king who was seated on the back of a tall elephant. ‡ A record from Tillaisthānam § confirms this evidence by clearly stating that Rājakēsari extended his power to the Toṇḍaināḍ. Āditya must be taken, therefore, to

have put an end to the Pallava power by annexing Tondaimandalam, and to have extended the Cola dominions, till they bordered on those of the Rastrakutas. Aparajita's inscriptions mention his eighteenth regnal year; and no record from Tondaimandalam that can be attributed to Aditya bears a date earlier than his twenty-third regnal year. But as a gift, a devadūna, was made in the 21st year, I the conquest and amexation of the Pallava territory may be dated roughly about 890 A. D.

The Ganga king may have assisted Āditya in this conquest; at any rate we find him soon after acknowledging Āditya's suzerainty; Pritipatiyār, son of Mārammaraiyar, no other than the well-known Prthivīpati II, son of Mārasimha of the Udayēndiram grant, presented a silver vessel (kendi) to the temple of Takkōlam in the twenty-fourth year of Rājakēsari || (Āditya). The Cōļa overlordship, which is elaborately acknowledged in the reign of Parāntaka in the Udayēndiram plates, is in this stone inscription briefly recognised by the record being dated in the regnal year of Rājakēsarivarman. Attention has been drawn already to the

^{*} v. 18. † v. 49. ‡ v. 55. § 286 of 1911. ¶ S/I. iii No. 142. § 5 of 1897; E.I. xix No. 12.

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Tirukkaļukkungam inscription recording the renewal of an ancient Pallava grant to the local temple. Āditya married a Pallava princess, as may be inferred from an inscription of his twenty-third year which eays that the mother of the Cola queen was a Kādupaṭṭigal. * Another record from Niyamam mentions that Adigal Kaṇḍan Mārambāvai, queen of Nandipottaraiyar of the Pallavatilaka race, granted to the local temple some money for certain specified purposes. † In the eighteenth year of Rājakēsari (Āditya I), the same lady had made another gift to the Piḍāri temple in the same place. ‡ Despite her regal titles, the identity of this lady and her Pallava lord must remain somewhat doubtful. §

The Kongudēśa-rājākkaļ affirms that Āditya, after being crowned at Tanjāvūr-paṭṇam, came to Kongudēśa, conquered the country and governed it in addition to his own; it also says that he took the town of Talaikād. Despite the lateness and the general untrustworthiness of this chronicle, this statement looks very

^{• 161} of 1928.

^{† 16} of 1899. The regnal year 24 is given by Krishna Sastri (SII, iii No. 94) but does not seem to be borne out by the text.

^{1 13} of 1899.

[§] The place of Aparājita, though not his relation with his predecessor Nipatunga, is well attested. The narrow range of the provenance of his inscriptions needs an explanation. It seems strange that the victor of Srī Purambiyam appears to have left no inscriptions to the south of Kancīpuram. The death of Pithivipati on the field perhaps left Aparājita at the mercy of his overbearing ally Aditya who managed to take the southern Tondaimandalam as the price of his co-operation. He chose the next opportunity to complete the destruction of the Pallavas.

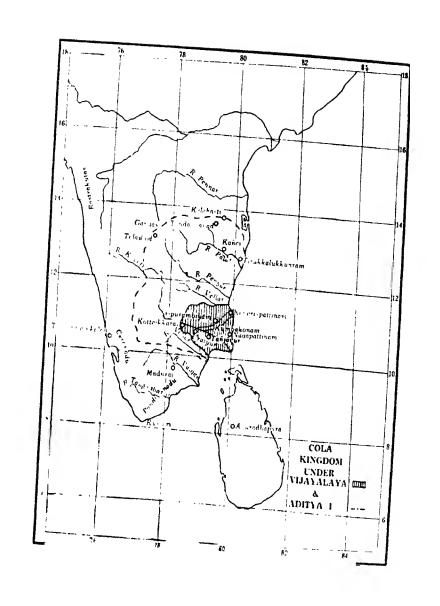
It seems unlikely that Mārambāvai was the queen of Nandi III of Tellāru, whose reign ended about A. D. 850. The earliest C51a record which mentions her is in the 18th year of Rājakēsari, c. 889. She is also named in two of Nīpatunga's inscriptions, both from the Tanjore Dt. (Nos. 300 and 303 of 1901). See ARE. 1901, paragraph 10; SII. ii. p. 513, n.

plausible. For one thing, Parantaka's records are found in the Kongudēśa, and he does not claim to have conquered it. Early in his reign is mentioned an officer of his supervising temple affairs in Kongu. * So it is quite reasonable to suppose that Aditya conquered the Kongu country. The mention of Talaikad implies that Aditya took the country from the Western Gangas; there is again nothing improbable in this, and we have seen Prthivipati II acknowledging the overlordship of Aditya. About the same time the Pandya king Śrī Parantaka Vīranarayana claims to have fought in Kongu; Aditya might have taken part of the Kongu country from him. The Anbil plates, which say that Aditya built temples along the entire course of the Kāvēri from the Sahyādri to the sea, also seem to lend support to the statement in the chronicle of Kongu kings.

An undated inscription † from Tillaisthanam shows that Aditya was on very friendly terms Relation to Cera. with his Cera contemporary Sthanu-Ravi. This records a gift by Kadamba-mādēvi, on whose husband, Vikki-Annan, the two monarchs jointly conferred the personal privileges, of 'throne, chauri, palanquin, drum, a palace, ponakam (?), bugle, elephant-corps' and the hereditary title Sembiyan Tamila-vel. Here is clear indication that Vikki-Annan who was so honoured must have distinguished himself in some manner that greatly pleased these two kings. Can it be that he was a Cera general whom Sthanu-Ravi employed to co-operate with Aditya in his Kongu campaign against the Pandya? We know that Aditya's son Parantaka married a daughter of the Cera king.

^{* 258} of 1907. The regnal year of this record is 10, not 30.

^{+ 286} of 1911,



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It is natural to assume that this friendship between the two ancient lines of rulers began with the extension of Cola rule to Kongu.* There is mention of a Vikkiyanna, son of Prthivipati, in a Ganga inscription † of this period.

It is not possible to point with certainty to the temples erected by Āditya. We know of several stone temples whose consecration took place in the reign of Āditya's son and successor; some of these might have been commenced in the time of Āditya. ‡

Āditya died at Toṇḍaimānāḍ, near Kālahasti, in the Chittoor district. A temple was erected over his remains by his pious son Parāntaka and called by the names Kōdaṇḍarāmēśvara and Ādityēśvara; § he also provided for the feeding of a thousand brahmans on certain festival days. Āditya had besides Parāntaka another son, Kannaradēva by name.

^{*} ARE. 1912 II, 11 suggests the identification of Sthāņu-Ravi with Kōkkandan Ravi of the Caudrāditya family (148 of 1910) on palaeographical grounds. The epithet 'pal-yūnai-kūk kaṇḍan' in the Tillaisthānam inscription, like the phrase 'Toṇḍai-nāḍu-pūrina-Sūḍan', applies to Rājakēsari and not to Sthāņu-Ravi, as AKE. (ibid) appears to suggest. "It is not impossible that Sthāņu-Ravi substantially assisted Āditya in his conquest of the Pallavas and the acquisition of their territory, and that Vikki-Aṇṇan distinguished himself on this occasion as an able general." (ibid). In the same paragraph we find the suggestion thrown out that Vikki-Aṇṇan was, like his wife Kaḍamba-mādēvi, of Karṇāṭaka origin, and that he was a Vēļir chieftain of Koḍumbāṭūr (Pudukōṭṭah).

^{+ 332} of 1912. Sembiyan Mahābali Bāņarasa (of this record) is no other than Pṛthivīpati II.

[‡] El. xv, p. 50.

^{§ 286} of 1906; also 230 of 1903. Before the Kanyākumāri inscription gave us the information that Āditya had the name Kōdanḍarāma, the only Kōdanḍarāma known was his grandson Rājāditya; but Rājāditya must have been living in the 34th year of his father's reign. EI. xviii pp. 23-24.

^{¶ 38} of 1895.

It is remarkable that the kings of the Vijayālaya line were ardent Śaivites. Vijayālaya himself established a Durgā temple in Tanjāvūr after he captured it; Āditya built temples to Śiva. His son raised a shrine over his sepulchre, establishing a linga on it—a Śaivite adaptation of the Buddhist practice of erecting memorial stupas.

The Cola rulers of this time were not slow to acquire for themselves a pedigree; and a Dynastic Myths. mythical ancestry tracing their descent from the sun was soon provided, though some kings of lunar genesis were also mixed up in it. The earliest version of it is in the Anbil plates which give fifteen names before Vijayālaya including the genuinely historical ones of Karikāla, Killi and Koccengaņān. The Tiruvalangadu plates swell the list to forty-four, and the Kanyākumāri list runs up to fifty-two, while the Leyden grant is satisfied with a dozen. There are others of varying lengths to be gathered from literary works like the Kalingattupparani, the ulās of Ottakūttan and so on. No two of these lists agree, though some names and details are common to all. An eponymous Cola finds a place in all the copper-plates, and the Kanyākumāri inscription dresses up a pretty story * about his advent to the south. He was drawn in that direction in pursuit of a Raksasa who had assumed the form of an antelope, and he was followed by some of his commanders. Then he killed the Raksasa and moved along the banks of the Kāvēri, "the river which brings to the earth, in the guise of water, the nectar obtained by the gods after churning the ocean of milk." Having bathed in the river, when he looked for some brahmans, apparently to bestow some gifts on them,

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he found none there; and so he summoned many excellent brahmans from Āryāvarta and settled them on the banks of the river. He then cleared the forest, planted groves of areca-palms and laid out fruit-gardens and otherwise improved the country. Such is the quaint account of the origin of the Cōla kingdom as it was imagined by the court-poet of Vīrarājēndra.*

^{*} See TAS. iii, for a full discussion of the legends in this record. Also SII, iii, Introd, pp. 4-5 for those in the copper-plates, and EI, xviii pp. 26 ff.

CHAPTER VII

PARĀNTAKA I (907-953 A.D.)

At the time of the battle of Śrī Purambiyam, the Colas held a small principality including Cola expansion. Tanjore and Uraiyūr, perhaps in subjection to the Pallavas. But within twenty-five years their power had become formidable. This expansion was exclusively the work of Aditya I, a remarkable warrior and able diplomat. Circumstances favoured him and he made full use of his opportunities. Pāṇḍyas, after Śrī Purambiyam, were engrossed in their own troubles at home; Varagina died soon after the battle, and his successor Sri Parantaka Viranarayana had to deal with a serious rising headed by the haughty Ugra. * With the Pallava Aparājita, Āditya was on friendly terms for some years after Śrī Purambiyam. He then turned against him and deprived him of the bulk, if not the whole, of his possessions; in this enterprise, Aditya was possibly aided by his Ganga contemporary; and the obscure conflicts that were engaging the Banas, the Vaidumbas, the Gangas and the Nolambas, of which the battle of Soremati was the central event, must have indirectly facilitated Aditya's Before the end of his reign Aditya conquered Kongu and annexed it to his territories. Thus at the accession of his son Parantaka, 907 A.D., the Cola kingdom embraced the whole country between Madras and Kālahasti in the north, and the Kāvēri in the south, with the exception of the Mysore table-land

^{*} PK. p. 78.

and the strip along the west coast. It kept the Ganga power in a position of subordinate alliance and was friends with the Cēra. The first conflict with the Pāṇḍya power had perhaps already taken place in the Kongu country. *

Parantaka I ruled for about forty-five years, as the latest inscription of his reign is Parantaka I. dated in his forty-fifth regnal year; † even the forty-sixth year seems to occur in a single inscription from Kandiyūr, near Tanjore. Parantaka's rule was one of increasing success and prosperity for the best part of it; he followed up his father's victories by putting an end to Pandyan independence and extending the empire up to Kanyākumāri in the south; he even invaded Ceylon, though the raid, as we shall see, failed of its object. Elsewhere, he subjugated the Banas, and the Ganga king Hastimalla acknowledged his sway. The last vestiges of Pallava power disappeared and the dominion of Parantaka extended up to Nellore in the north. Towards the end of his reign, however, an unforeseen disaster overtook the Cola empire; the Rastrakutas under the powerful Kṛṣṇa III invaded the empire in great force from the north-west, and in the conflict that ensued Parantaka's eldest son Rājāditya lost his life, and Parāntaka himself did not long survive the cataclysm. A heavy gloom settles on Cola power for a period of over four decades thereafter until the accession of the celebrated Rājarāja I in 985 A.D.

^{*}Was it an accident that Aditya's Pandya contemporary was a Parantaka Viranarayana, and that Aditya's son also had the names Parantaka and Viranarayana? Or was it more common then to name the first children after their maternal grandparents than it is now?

^{† 465} of 1918. Krishna Sastri is sure that year 46 is clear in 15 of 1895.

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after his accession. He bears the title Maduraikonda (who captured Madura) as early as his third year. * The conquest and subjugation of the Pāṇḍyan kingdom was, however, a gradual process; the earliest inscription of Parāntaka actually found in the Pāṇḍyan country is dated in his 24th year. † The Śinnamanūr and the Udayēndiram plates concur in the name of the Pāṇḍya king, Rājasimha, who suffered deprivation and exile at the hands of Parāntaka. Says the Mahāvamsa ‡:

"While thus the sovereign of Lanka (Kassapa V, 913-23 A. D.) held sway in justice, the Pandu king was vanquished in battle by the Cola king. To gain military aid he sent numerous gifts. The king, the ruler of Lanka, took counsel with his officials, equipped military forces, appointed his Sakkasēnāpati as leader of the troops, and betook himself to Mahatittha. Standing at the edge of the coast he spoke of the triumph of former kings, and having thus aroused their enthusiasm, he made his troops embark. With his army the Sakkasēnāpati thereupon safely crossed the sea and reached the Pandu country. When the Pandu king saw the troops and him, he spake full of cheer: 'I will join all Jambudipa under one umbrella'. The king took the two armies; but as he could not vanquish him (the king) of the Cola line, set out once more with the purpose of fighting further, made halt, and died of the upasagya (plague) to the undoing of the Pandu (king). When the ruler of Lanka heard that the troops were also perishing of the same disease, out of pity he had the army brought back."

In this account we can recognise three stages in the conflict. In the first the Pandyan king suffers a

[•] The date in 29 of 1907 is not so clear, but see 157 of 1928 and 11 of 1931.

^{† 446} of 1917. The copper-plates furnish little assistance in the study of these campaigns; the Tiruvālangādu plates, however, give some information which is borne out by the contemporary account given by the Udayēndiram plates of Ganga Pṛthivīpati II. The stone inscriptions of Parāntaka and the Mahāvamsa provide a fairly clear and cogent account of what happened.

[‡] CV. Ch. 52, vv. 70 ff.

defeat at the hands of Parāntaka. The second stage begins with his appeal for aid to the Ceylonese ruler and ends with a fight in which the Pāṇḍyan and Ceylonese troops together sustained defeat and retreated before the Cōla forces. Lastly, another effort made by the Ceylonese commander came to nothing owing to a plague which killed him and led to the recall of the Ceylonese army. The inscriptions so far as they go corroborate this account in every respect; only, they make no mention of the second effort of Sakkasēnāpati and the plague.

The first stage in the account of the Mahāvamsa corresponds, doubtless, to the raid on Madura in the first years of Parāntaka's rule which led to his adopting the title Madhurāntaka, the destroyer of Madura. The second stage in the war is thus graphically pictured by the Udayēndiram plates of Pṛthivīpati in 921-2 A. D. *

"His (Parāntaka's) army, having crushed at the head of a battle the Pāṇḍya king together with an army of elephants, horses and soldiers, seized a herd of elephants together with (the city of) Madhurā. Having slain in an instant, at the head of a battle, an immense army, despatched by the lord of Lankā, which teemed with brave soldiers (and) was interspersed with troops of elephants and horses, he bears in the world the title Sangrāma Rāghava (i. e., Rāma in battle) which is full of meaning. When he defeated the Pāṇḍya (king) Rājasimha, two persons experienced the same fear at the same time: (Kubēra), the lord of wealth, on account of the death of his own friend (and) Vibhīṣaṇa on account of the proximity (of the Cōļa dominions to Ceylon)."

These events must have taken place some years before the date of the Udayëndiram grant. As early as 923 A.D. we find the title Maduraiyum Ilamum

^{*} SII ii, No. 76 vv. 9-11.

Konda, in a record of Parantaka. * Two inscriptions of the twelfth year make casual allusions to incidents in the battle of Vellur in which the Battle of Vellur Pandya and Ceylonese forces were defeated by the Cola., One is a gift to commemorate the victory of Paluvēttaraiyar Kandan Amudanār on the occasion when the Pandya king, helped by the Ceylonese army, attacked the Cola king at the battle of Vellur. † Another is an endowment for the merit of four soldiers (śēvakar) who died in a frontal attack (nerrisenra) led by Sennipperaraiyan at Velur (Vellur) on the occasion when the Pandyan and Ceylonese kings came and fought a deadly battle with the Cola. ‡ It is clear that there was a great and decisive battle at Vellür in which the Cola troops had to fight hard before securing victory and which was well remembered for some years after the event for the exceptional heroism of its incidents. It seems probable that this battle was fought about 915 A. D.

The victory of Parantaka at Vellur paved the way for the progressive conquest and annexation of the Pandyan country. Frustrated in all his attempts to stem the tide of the Cola invasion, the unlucky Rajasimha took to flight, leaving his ancient heritage to fall into the hands of his enemy. In the reign of Dappula IV (923-934 A.D.) the Mahāvamsa records: §

^{* 331} of 1927. ARE. 1927, II 10 seeks to effect a weak reconciliation between the new evidence and Venkayya's account of the wars by suggesting that this title was assumed after Vēļūr (Veļļūr) and fully justified only later—a curious instance of academic orthodoxy. See, also SII. iii, Introdn. p. 11. No. 332 of 1927 is a Rājakēsari record, not one of Parāntaka, as stated in ARE. 1927, App. C.

^{+ 231} of 1926. The Pandya did not die, as stated in ARE. 1926 II, 16. There must be some mistake here. The actual phrase in the inscriptions is astigadai seyda hangu'

 $[\]ddagger$ SII. iii. No. 99. Another inaccuracy here—the Ceylonese king did not come to the fight himself, according to the MV.

[§] CV. Ch. 53 vv. 5 ff.

"At that time the Paṇḍu king through fear of the Coļa (king) left his country, took ship and came to Mahātitha. The king had him brought to him, rejoiced greatly when he saw him, gave him an abundant income and granted him a dwelling outside the town. When the king of Lankā had armed (with the purpose): 'I will make war on the Coļa king, take from him his two thrones * and give them to the Paṇḍu king,' the nobles dwelling on the island for some reason or other stirred up a sorry strife to the undoing of the Paṇḍu king. The Pāṇḍu king thought his sojourn here was of no use to him. He left his diadem and other valuables behind and betook himself to the Kēraļas."

This is confirmed by a verse † in the Tiruvālangādu plates saying:

"Encircled by the fire of his (Parantaka's) prowess, the Pandya, as if desirous of cooling the heat caused by it, quickly entered the sea (embarked for Ceylon), abandoning his royal state and the kingdom inherited from his ancestors."

Rājasimha proceeded to Kēraļa from Ceylon because it was the home of his mother Vānavan-mahādēvi. ‡ The rulers of Kēraļa were in such close political alliance with the Cēļas in this period, that Rājasimha depended more on the Ceylonese king for help in the first instance, and went to Kēraļa only as a last resort, even then leaving his crown and other valuables behind in Ceylon. The flight of Rājasimha may be dated, following the chronology of the Mahāvamsa, sometime between the sixteenth and the twenty-sixth year of Parāntaka's reign.

Parantaka spent many years in reducing the newly conquered country to subjection, and when he felt he was near the end of

Meaning evidently his own Cola throne, in addition to the Pandyan recently captured by him. See Geiger, CV. i p. 172 n. 1.

[†] No. 51.

[‡] PK. p. 79.

his task, he wanted to celebrate his success by a formal coronation at Madura at which he was to invest himself with the insignia of Pāṇḍyan monarchy. These had been carried away by Rājasimha and left in the custody of the Ceylonese king, and Parāntaka made an unsuccessful effort to secure them in the reign of the slothful and intemperate Udaya IV (945-53 A.D.):*

"The Cola king hearing of his sloth was greatly pleased, and as he wished to achieve consecration as king in the Pandu kingdom, he sent (messengers) concerning the diadem and the other (things) which the Pandu (king) had left behind (in Lanka). The king did not give them up, so the mighty Cola equipped an army and sent it forth to fetch them by force. Now, at that time the Senāpati here (in Ceylon) was absent in a rebellious border The king had him fetched and sent him forth to begin the war. The Senapati set forth, delivered battle and fell in the fight. Thereupon the king (Udaya) took the crown and the rest and betook himself to Rohana. The Cola troops marched thither, but finding no way of entering Rohana, they turned and betook themselves through fear from here-to their own country."

The exact date of these occurrences cannot be determined; the Ceylonese account is no doubt right in placing them in the last years of Parāntaka's regin. † His failure was remembered, and made up for, years later, by his powerful descendant Rājēndra I.

^{*} CV. Ch. 53, vv. 41 ff.

[†] See Geiger, CV. i p. 176 n. 4. Also ii p. xx n. 18. It must be noted that Venkayya's proof that it is only in his latest inscriptions of 943/4 to 947/8 that Parantaka calls himself "Conqueror of Ceylon" no longer holds good; and the date 948 accepted by Geiger for this invasion is not so trustworthy as it appeared to Hultzsch. (See 332 and 331 of 1927 of years 8 and 16 respectively of Parantaka). The MV, goes on to add that a new Senapati of Udaya "laid waste the borderland of the Cola king and forced him with threats to restore all that he had carried away" as booty. What exactly is meant by the 'borderland' is not clear.

Besides the friendliness of the Kērala ruler and the assistance of the Paluvettaraivar chief-Allies of tains of Kīlappaluvūr, Parantaka was Parantaka. aided in his Pandyan campaigns by the Velir chiefs of Kodumbalur. Records dated very early in Parantaka's reign show that prince Arikulakēsari, one of the sons of Parāntaka, had already married Pūdi Ādicca Piḍāri, daughter of Tennavan Ilangovelar of the Kodumbalur line. * Other evidence of the close connection in this period between the Cola line and the Kodumbalur chieftains is furnished by records from Pudukottalı and the Trichinopoly district. † Their hostility to the Pandya king Rajasimha becomes clear from the Sinnamanur plates of the sixteenth year of Rajasimha (c. 916 A.D.). While giving an account of Rajasimha's relations with the Colas in the early years of Parantaka's rule, the Pandyan inscription says that Rajasimha "defeated the king of Tanjai (Tanjore) at Naippūr, fought a battle at Kodumbai (Kodumbālūr), the seat of one of the powerful Cola subordinates, burnt Vanji and destroyed the king of Southern Tanjai (perhaps another subordinate of the Colas) at Naval." ‡ This rather obscure and, no doubt, highly embellished account, from the Pandyan side, of the early stages of the Cola war is valuable in two respects. It confirms the impression derived from the Mahāvamsa and the inscriptions of Parantaka that his conquest of the Madura kingdom was a gradual and difficult process which involved much fighting spread over many years. It provides, moreover, a clear idea of the alignment of the political powers in these struggles, and corroborates the view

^{*} SII. iii 96.

⁺ See ARE. 1908, II 84 ff.

^{\$} SII. iii p. 449.

that the Cera and the Kodumbalur chiefs * were friendly to the Cola and fought on his side.

The intervals between his Pandyan wars were employed by Parantaka in extending Other Wars. his power elsewhere. The Sholingur rock inscription † of the ninth year mentions that the Ganga Prthivipati II got the title of Banadhiraja from Parantaka and that he distinguished himself in a fight at Vallala. The Udayendiram plates of Prthivipati ‡ state that Parantaka uprooted two Bana kings and conquered the Vaidumbas.) The Banas were an ancient line of kings who ruled for over two centuries in the tract that came to be called Perumbanappadi, the Bana country. § This was the area to the north of the Palar, between Punganur in the west and Kalahasti in the east. There is reason to believe that at an earlier period they ruled the territory further north and were forced to migrate south in the period of the rise and expansion of the Calukyas of Badami. In the last stages of their existence as an independent power their

^{*} We have only one inscription (129 of 1907, Pd. 14), its beginning lost, giving the genealogy of these chieftains for eight generations or so. It is probable that there were collateral branches of which we have as yet no information and if, failing to allow for this possibility, we seek to accommodate all the inscriptions in the genealogy of this single record, we come across a number of difficulties not easily settled. It should also be borne in mind that a title like Tennavan Ilangovelar may have been borne by several persons, and no identification can be confidently based on the recurrence of such titles in different inscriptions. At any rate, if Pudi Vikramakesari was, as there are strong reasons to believe, the contemporary of Aditya II who 'took the head of Virapandiyan,' it is difficult to believe that he was also the Tennavan Ilangovelur whose daughter Adicca Pidari had become the wife of Arikulakesari as early as the third year (910 A.D.) of Parantaka I. These chiefs were Kallar (140 of 1928-Parantaka I, year 17), and had dynastic connections with the Muttaraiyar (337 of 1904, Pd. 45). Idangali-Nayanar was believed to be of their family (Periva Purāņam), contra Nambi Āndār Nambi.

[†] EI. iv pp. 221-5.

[#] SII. ii No. 76, v. 9.

[§] On the Banas see EI. xi, pp. 229-40; and xvii pp. 1-7. I follow Hultzsch's table (EI, xvii p. 3) for the numbering of the Bana kings.

capital was at Parivi* which is first mentioned in the Sholingur inscription and may be identical with Parigi, in the Hindupur Taluq of Anantapur district. The last ruler of the line was Vikramāditya III, Vijayabāhu, described as the dear friend of Kṛṣṇarāja, doubtless Kṛṣṇa III, his powerful Rāṣṭrakūṭa neighbour. The course of events which is nowhere described in explicit terms can only be inferred from a careful study of the dates which, fortunately, are clearly recorded in the inscriptions bearing on this topic.

/ Hastimalla got the title Banadhiraja from Parantaka before 916 A.D. (Sholingur record). With the Banas. Vijayāditya II Prabhamēru ruled the Bana territory independently till 909 A.D. + The conquest of the Banas by Parantaka must have taken place in the intervening period of six or seven years. The great-grandson of Vijayāditya Prabhamēru is known from his Udayendiram grant to have been the friend of Kṛṣṇarāja III, Rāṣṭrakūṭa. There were two Bāna kings intervening—Vikramāditya II and Vijayāditya III, Pugalvippavarganda. Considering the fact that the Raştrakūta Kṛṣhṇa III could not have begun his reign much earlier than A.D. 940, it seems proper to infer that the two Bana rulers who were dispossessed of their kingdom and perhaps forced by Parantaka to seek refuge within the Rastrakuta dominion were Vikramāditya II and Vijayāditya III. conferred on Prthivipati II, Banadhiraja, was not then an empty name; it carried with it the real overlordship of the Bana country for some years. And this uprooting of the Banas, so proudly proclaimed by the

^{*} Parivi and Nandagiri occupy in late Bāṇa records a position similar to that of Uraiyūr and the Kāvēri in the Telugu Cōla records. It may be observed that Parigi answers to the description of the Bāṇa country being to the west of the Āndhra.

^{† 99} of 1899.

Ganga ruler who benefited thereby, contributed to the invasion of the Cola lands by Kṛṣṇa III which ended so disastrously for the Colas.

Forming part of the campaign against the Banas, or at any rate closely connected with With the it, was the war against the Vaidumbas. Vaidumbas. These were a Telugu family who have left behind a few records in that language and in Kanarese. In the ninth century they claim to have had the Renandu 7000 country under them, and their inscriptions tell us that in the great battle of Soremati (c. 880 A. D.) they took the side of the Banas against the Nolambas and the Gangas. This alliance with, and possibly subordination to, the Banas continued until the time of Parantaka's war with them. We have no direct means of identifying the opponent of Parantaka. Some records * of Kannaradeva (Kṛṣṇa III) from the South Arcot district mention the Vaidumba Mahārāja Sandayan Tiruvayan and Tiruvayan Śrīkantha; the Vaidumba chief reduced to submission by Parantaka about 915 A. D. must have been Sandayan Tiruvayan himself or his immediate predecessor. The Vaidumbas, like the Banas, sought refuge with the Rastrakutas from the onslaught of the Colas. In later times, under Rājarāja I and Rājēndra, when the Cōla empire regained its ascendancy, the son and grandson of Tiruvayan accepted subordinate positions under the Colas.

Two inscriptions † from Tiruvorriyūr contain the most casual reference to a campaign in the Nellore district. An officer of Parantaka, Māran Paramēsvaran, a native of

^{* 235, 267, 268} of 1902 (EL. vii pp. 142 ff) and 16, 743 of 1905; ARE. 1905 II, 28.

⁺ Nos. 160, 236 of 1912, the former being SII. iii 108.

Sirukulattūr, overthrew Sītpuli and destroyed Nellūr, and on his way back to the south, he stopped at Tiruvoriyūr to make a thanks-offering to Mahādēva in the form of a grant of land, which four years later was released from the fiscal dues falling upon it. The original gift was made in the thirty-fourth year of Parāntaka (A.D. 941). This campaign was probably directed against the power of the Vēngī ruler Cālukya Bhīma II. Sītpuli was a district in the southern regions of the Eastern Cālukya kingdom. * Considering that no records of Parāntaka have been discovered in the east coast region to the north of Tiruvoriyūr, it may be doubted if the campaign had any permanent results. †

From about 940 A.D, Parantaka experienced the increasing difficulty of defending an Growing empire at a great many points; in less Difficulties. than fifty years a small principality had grown into a widespread dominion at the expense of its neighbouring states; the very quickness of the expansion was fraught with danger and dynasties which had been dispossessed and driven out of their traditional homes could not all be expected to give in without further struggle. Nor was it likely that other powers like the Rāstrakūtas and the Eastern Cāļukyas would view without concern the progress of the Cola power. We have seen already that some time after 945 A. D., Parantaka experienced a repulse in Ceylon and failed to take from Udaya IV the Pandyan diadem. We must now turn to a narration of the occurrences elsewhere that must have had no small share in forcing

^{*} ARE. 1913 II 18 and SII. iii 108 (introdu.) make Sîţpuļi a personal name, and suggest that Sīţpuļi was the general of Bhīma. But 79 of 1921 (Rājak. 6) mentions Sīţpuļi-nāḍu and Pāki-nāḍu. The latter is well known as Pāka-rāṣṭra.

[†] See Ch. viii below, under Arinjaya.

Parantaka to give up the fight in Ceylon and acquiesce in his failure.

The death of Ganga Prthivipati II, the trusted friend and grateful vassal of Parantaka Death of I, which must have occurred about Prthivipati. 940 A. D., * may be said to mark the commencement of Parantaka's troubles from this quarter. Prthivipati left no son, Vikkiyanna having pre-deceased him. † Būtuga II, who had married a Rāstrakūta princess Rēvakā, the sister of Kṛṣṇa III, and assisted Kṛṣṇa in securing his throne from a usurper, was now left in unquestioned supremacy in the Ganga country, because he had murdered his elder brother Rācamalla and annexed his possessions also. # And the Banas and the Vaidumbas were already by the side of Kṛṣṇa soliciting his protection and aid against the powerful Cola. Kṛṣṇa was in the prime of life and had just encountered and overcome opposition at home and was not reluctant to seize the favourable moment that chance offered to him for making a great advance to the south.

It is possible that these developments were fore
shadowed even in the life-time of Pṛthivīpati and a little before the accession of Kṛṣṇa to the Rāṣṭrakūṭa throne. A record § from the North Arcot district commemorates the death of a hero in 936 A.D. in a cattle-raid by a Western Ganga king (Perumānaḍigaļ), and this may be taken to

^{*} Rangachari says that Prthivipati became a vassal of Krspa III, and was living in A.D. 953 (N A. 586). In saying this, he overlooks Hultzsch's warning that the Attimallar of this record is a different person (EI. vii p. 195)

^{+ 332} of 1912.

Rice Mysore and Coorg, p. 45

^{§ 1} of 1896 ARE. 1896, paragraph 6; EI. iv pp. 178-9.

give the first indication of the coming storm. There is also evidence to show that about this time Rājāditya, the eldest son of Parāntaka, was stationed with a large army including an elephant corps and some cavalry *

ln Tirumunaippādi. in the district known in inscriptions and literature as Tirumunaippādi-nādu. Veļļangumaran, a Kēraļa general of

Rājāditya's forces, was present at Grāmam as early as 936 A. D., † where seven years later he constructed a stone temple to Siva on the banks of the Peṇṇār. ‡ Tirunāvalūr, a village near Grāmam, called Rājādittapuram till about 1140 A. D., § was the residence of Rājāditya for many years. We also find Arikulakēsari¶ in the same region about the same time, no doubt assisting his brother, Rājāditya. It is clear,

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therefore, that Parantaka was not unmindful of the repercussions of his aggressive policy against the Banas

and the Vaidumbas, and that though he expected much from the loyal support of Prthivipati II, he did not leave everything to him, but made his own preparations to meet an emergency.

The chronology of Kṛṣṇa's campaign against the

Cōla has been the subject of some
difference of opinion, but it is not incapable of precise determination.

The Śōlapuram inscription || which is dated in three different ways may furnish the starting point. This record which bears the Śaka date 871 (A.D. 949) is also

^{*} ASI. 1905-6 p. 181. Also 180 of 1921. ARE. 1921, II 25.

^{† 739} of 1905.

^{1 735} of 1905 dated Saturday, 14th January 943 A.D.

^{§ 374} of 1902,

^{¶ 280} of 1902.

⁴²⁸ of 1902; El. vii p. 194.

dated in the second year of some king not named in direct relation to this regnal year. But as Kannaradeva started his rule in or about 940 A.D., * the second year cannot be his. Venkayya, however, affirms † that this is 'evidently a record of the Rastrakuta king Kṛṣṇa III' and suggests that the date is 'probably the second year after the occupation of the Tondainadu' by him. But the suggestion is contradicted by the record itself which says that it was the year in which Kṛṣṇa entered Toṇḍaimaṇḍalam; and we have no other instance in his numerous records from that country of his using the date of his entry into Tondaimandalam as the starting point of an era; they give invariably his regnal year. The only alternative is to assume with Hultzsch that it refers to Rajaditya's rule as the inscription comes from a place within the sphere of his jurisdiction as viceroy. It is not to be supposed ‡ that Rājāditya began to rule and issue inscriptions in his own name only after the death of his father; for nothing is more common in Cola inscriptions than for records of successive rulers dated in different series of regnal years to overlap. Rajaditya had by A. D. 948 served his father actively in a subordinate capacity for over a dozen years, and it is not a violent assumption to make that Rajaditya was made 'co-regent' § in that year. There is one circumstance which may be said to support this suggestion. The Kanyākumāri inscription of Vīra-

^{*}No. 236 of 1913 dates his death in S. 889 (A.D. 967). It is possible he started rule somewhat earlier. His earliest inscription is dated, however, A.D. 940; perhaps the conflict with Lalleya, the rival claimant to his throne, filled the early years.

⁺ ASI, 1908-9. p. 122 n. 2.

[‡] Contra. T. A. Gopinatha Rao, EI. xv pp. 51-2 and EI. xviii p. 24. See also ARE. 1911, II, 22.

[§] Though not a happy term this may be retained as familiar to students of South Indian epigraphy.

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rājēndra categorically affirms that Parāntaka earned the name Vīra-Cōļa by his victory over the invincible Kṛṣṇarāja. * Despite the lateness of the testimony, it is so definite and so probable in itself that we can hardly brush it aside as of no value. If this victory was a fact, it can be placed only in the interval between 940 and 948 A. D., and it is quite likely that Rājāditya had an active share in gaining this success, and that Parāntaka in appreciation of his son's valour and his own growing age, conferred on Rājāditya the position of co-regent in the administration of the empire. †

The third method in which the Śōlapuram record is dated is by describing it as the year in which Cakravartin Kannaradēva Vallabhan entered Toṇḍaimaṇḍalam after the overthrow of Rājāditya. It seems likely that this record was engraved very soon after Rājāditya's death, when the consequences of the battle of Takkōlam were not yet fully realised. By the evidence of this record the successful invasion of Kṛṣṇa took place in A.D. 949.

The Ātakūr inscription of Būtuga II affords striking confirmation of this date. It dates the battle of Takkōlam (in which Rājāditya lost his life at the hands of Būtuga) in the current Śaka year 872, i.e. A.D. 949-50. ‡ Again Parāntaka's own inscriptions tell the same tale. His inscriptions bearing dates in Λ.D. 948 are found in the South and North Arcot districts, §

^{*} Verse 58. Note the phrase ajitan-narādhipaih.

[†] This is indeed contradicted by the larger Leyden grant (verse 19). But see note † p. 162 (below).

[‡] EI. vi p. 51.

^{§ 419} of 1903; 184, 313 of 1906; 149 of 1916.

and it is a remarkable fact that not only are his inscriptions not found in these districts after that date, but no inscriptions of his dated in his regnal years 42-44 (inclusive) are at all known—a fact clearly to be accounted for by some great disaster like the battle of Takkōlam. Thus all lines of evidence point to one date, 949 A.D., as the year which decided the fortunes of the contest between Parāntaka and Kṛṣṇa.

One inscription * from Siddhalingamadam (South Arcot), dated in the fifth year of Kṛṣṇa's A spurious reign, already in A.D. 944-5 gives Inscription. him the title Kacciyum - Tanjaiyumkonda. This has created some confusion, and led some scholars to imagine that Kṛṣṇa's invasion and occupation of Tondaimandalam was earlier than the battle of Takkolam. † But the difficulty of reconciling this datum with the rest of our evidence is so great as to be almost insuperable, and we can hardly help suspecting some mistake here. For if Krsna was in Toudaimandalam as early as A.D. 944-5, how can we account for Parantaka's inscriptions being found in the Arcot districts till 948 A. D., for the presence of Rajaditya at Takkolam in 949 A.D., and for the battle of Takkolam itself? Again, how can we account for the fact that, barring this single record from Siddhalingamadam, there is no other inscription of Krana dated before his sixteenth regnal year (956 A.D.) in the North and South Arcot districts? There is no alternative, in fact, to our rejecting this record as spurious at least in its date. It should be noticed that the Vyāghra-pādēśvara temple from which the inscription comes was renovated in the reign of Kulottunga I

^{. * 375} of 1909.

[†] K. V. S. Aiyar, EI. xii p. 123; xix pp. 82 ff. ARE. 1926 II 12.

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by one of his officers, * and that it is quite probable that an error crept into the copy of this old inscription reproduced on the new walls more than a century after it was originally recorded, and this, I think, is the real explanation of the difficulty. †

We may now turn to the actual course of events connected with the Rastrakuta invasion. The Invasion. It has been pointed out before that Parantaka was quite alive to the danger from the northwest frontier of his dominions, and that he took early steps to maintain a strong frontier force intended to resist any hostile movements on the part of his enemies. It would seem that the arrangements made by Parantaka fulfilled their purpose for quite a number of years, and that in this period the Rastrakuta ruler suffered a defeat at the hands of Parantaka and his warlike son Rājāditya. But to a powerful ruler like Krsna whose dominion extended over the whole of Western Dekkan from the Central Provinces to Mysore, and who had the Gangas and others in the south for his allies, such a defeat was only a spur to greater effort. This he made in 949 A.D., and the decisive engagement took place at Takkolam, six miles to the Takkölam. South-east of Arkonam in the North Arcot district. # The Atakur inscription tells us that Kannaradeva 'was making a display of triumph after

fighting against and killing the Mūvadi-Cola-Rājāditya at a place called Takkola'; it also adds: 'when

^{*} See Rangachari, p. 217; Studies pp. 178-9; 197.

[†] It may also be noticed that while in some records Kannaradeva is given the title Kaccipum-Tañjaiyum-koṇḍa, in others he is simply called by his name without any distinguishing title. But as the range of dates and the provenance of both sets of these records are identical, and as no palaeographical differences divide the two groups, they may both be treated as relating to Kṛṣṇa III.

[‡] El. iv, p. 331 n. 3.

Kannaradēva was fighting the Cōla, Būtuga made the howdah the battle-field, and aimed at, pierced and killed Rājāditya'—an act for which Kṛṣṇa rewarded him by granting him the districts of Banavāse 12,000, and Belvōla 300.* The Cōla version of what happened on the occasion is not different; the Tiruvālangādu plates † say that Rājāditya went to heaven after conquering Kṛṣṇarāja; the larger Leyden grant is more explicit and records ‡:

"The heroic Rājāditya, the ornament of the solar race, having shaken in battle the unshakable Kṛṣṇarāja with his forces, by means of his sharp arrows flying in all directions, was himself pierced in his heart while seated on the back of a large elephant by the sharp arrows of the enemy, and (thus) winning the praise of the three worlds, he ascended to the heaven of heroes in a tall vimāna."

This clearly implies that there was much hard fighting, and that the Cola army lost the battle mainly on account of a well-aimed arrow of Būtuga having fatally wounded Rājāditya.

* This important inscription has been edited twice by Fleet—EI. ii pp. 167 ff; vi pp. 50-7. The text has: 'Mūvadi-Cēļa-Rājādityana mīlī (ba)ndu Takkēla-doļ kādi kondu bijayam-jeyyuttu iļdu' (l. 4); and "Kannaradevam Cēļanam kāduvandu Būtugam Kājādityanam bisugeye kaļļan-āgi guri (suri)-giridu kādi kondu Banavase Pannirccasiramum etc." (ll. 20-1).

On both occasions Fleet translated the second extract so as to imply treachery on the part of Būtuga. And in discussing No. 181 of 1912, a most baseless conjecture was hazarded in ARE. 1913, II, 17 that Caturanana Pandita betrayed his master and friend Rājāditya to his foes. But the phrase 'bisugeye kallan-āgi' must really be read: 'bisugeye kalanāgi'; the words 'bisuge' and 'kalan' mean respectively the howdah fastened to the back of elephants for riding on, and field (of battle). Būtuga made the howdah of Rājāditya's elephant itself the battle-field. This interpretation is borne out by the Cōla inscriptions. The larger Leyden grant says: "Rājāduyas-sa vīro ravikulatilakah Krīnarājam sasainyam samkşobhyākşobhyam-ājau "nāgēndra-skandha-varttī vidaļita-hrdayah "viralokaā-jagāma," a clear statement which leaves not the slightest room for the suspicion of treachery on the part of Rājāditya's opponent. See JRAS. 1909, pp. 443-6. Other Cōla inscriptions from Kumbakōnam and Tirunāgēsvaram mention the 'king who died on the back of an elephant.' ARE. 1912, II, 14, Fleet's old mistake is repeated in the Kadamba-kula (Bombay, 1931) p. 86

⁺ v, 54.

¹ ASSI. iv. pp. 206-7, 11. 42-45.

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That even this decisive battle was not followed by the total collapse of all resistance And after. to Kṛṣṇa's advance, and that he had some more years of rather hard fighting, may be inferred from the fact that inscriptions dated in his reign do not begin to appear till his sixteenth year. 956 A.D. or at the earliest 953 A.D. Inscriptions from South Arcot dated in Saka years 874-876 (A.D. 952-954) * recording gifts of minor chieftains but not acknowledging either Cola or Rastrakūta supremacy may be taken to support this inference. There is much uncertainty, however, about the exact course of the events that followed Takkolam. We have no Cola records from the districts of North Arcot, South Arcot and Chingleput for several years after the battle; Kṛṣṇa's records with dates ranging from the sixteenth to the thirtieth years of his reign are found in the same area. By assuming the tittle 'Kacciyum-Tunjaiyum-konda,' Kṛṣṇa claimed to have captured Kāncīpuram and Tanjāvūr. The 'spurious' Sudi plates † state that Būtuga, after conquering Rājāditya, assaulted Tanjore, Nālkote and a number of other fortresses and handed over to Kṛṣṇa elephants, horses and a vast amount of treasure captured from these places. The Karhād grant (959 A.D.), which shows Kṛṣṇa still in his camp at Mēlpādi (N. Arcot) at the end of his southern campaigns, states that in the course of his digvijaya in the south, he uprooted the family of the Colas, distributed their territory among his followers, extorted tributes from several kings, including the king of Ceylon, and erected a pillar of victory in Rāmēśvaram ‡. We cannot say for certain if these are merely empty

^{* 338, 356} of 1902 (Tirunamanallur).

[†] El. iii p. 179-80. Also the Kudlür plates of Mürasimha (A.D. 963) ll. 88 ff. MAR. 1921, pp. 11, 26.

[‡] EI, iv. p. 280.

boasts or the record of a triumphant raid across the Southern countries. No inscriptions of Kṛṣṇa or his vassals are found south of the latitude of Pondicherry. *

But there can be no question that the effect on the Cola empire was ruinous, and that as a consequence of the blow in the north, much of the south also slipped out of Parantaka's hands. The Cola empire was no more; it had to be built up all over again.

Only a few inscriptions from the neighbourhood of Tanjore attest the closing years
of Parāntaka's reign, and they are
dated in the forty-fifth and forty-sixth
regnal years of Parāntaka who must have therefore
lived up to 953 A.D. † He had many wives, of whom the
names of no fewer than eleven occur in his inscriptions.
Kōkkilān ‡ was the name of the mother of Rājāditya,
called also Kōdaṇḍarāma, the eldest son of Parāntaka
who died in the battle of Takkōlam. Another queen
of Parāntaka, a Kēraļa princess, § the mother of Ariūjaya, deserves special notice as her marriage, contracted

^{*} Al-Biruni seems to say that Tanjore was in ruins and that in consequence the Cola king built a new capital. Sewell, *Antiquities* ii p. 155. Is this a late reference to the effects of Kṛṣṇa's inroad, or merely the assignment of a wrong reason for the foundation of the new capital at Gangaikoṇḍa-Solapuram?

[†] Nos. 465 of 1918, 15 of 1895, and 135 of 1931. Krishna Sastri has said (SII. v, p. 226 u) that in 15 of 1895 the figure 6 is clear on the stone, and this must set at rest any lingering doubts on this question of fact. See also ASI. 1908-9, p. 122 n l. The larger Leyden grant (v. 19) categorically asserts that Rājāditya began to rule after the death of Parāntaka, and then proceeds to give an account of Rājāditya's war with Kṛṣṇa. I am inclined to accept the contemporary stone records as more valid evidence than the statement in a copperplate grant dated after more than half-a-century of the utmost confusion.

^{‡ 335} of 1902. Gopinatha Rao thinks that this queen and Parantaka are named among the donors in the Huzur Treasury Plates of Tiruvalla. (TAS. ii. 141). But this is doubtful.

[§] Anbil vv. 22 3. SII. ii p. 383 v. 8.

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possibly in Aditya's lifetime, not only gave proof of the friendly political relations that obtained between the Cola and Kerala rulers, but apparently furnished the occasion for a large influx of Malaiyalis into the Cola country in search of service under the king and his sons. Vellangumaran, the Kerala general of Rajaditya, who built a temple in Gramam was only the leading example * of a large class of less known immigrants figuring as donors of small charitable gifts in the inscriptions of the period. Besides Rajaditya, Parantaka had four other sons: Gandarāditya, Arikulakēsari, Uttamasili and Arindigai or Arinjaya of the plates. One daughter of his, Vīramādēvi, called also Govinda Vallavaraiyar is mentioned; † and it is likely that another, Anupama, was married to the chieftain of Kodumbāļūr. That Parāntaka was fond of many highsounding titles ‡ is clear from his inscriptions, amongst which the most noteworthy, in this as well as in other respects, are the celebrated records of the twelfth and fourteenth years of his reign dealing with the constitutional arrangements of the Sabhā of Uttaramērūr. § He performed several hēmagarbhas and tulābhāras, and gave brahmadēyas. The Tiruvālangādu plates describe

^{*} Iravi Nīli, the daughter of the Cēra King, Vijayarāga, is another. She gave 30-kaļanju of gold for a lamp in the Tiruvorriyūr temple. (SII. iii No. 103).

⁺ Nos. 245-6 of 1921 (year 31).

[‡] T A. Gopinatha Rao (El. xv. p. 50), basing himself on 110 of 1895 suggests that Vikramaiōla Ilangōvēlār of that record must have been Parāntaka. If that be so,—the name Paluvēṭṭaraiyar favours the supposition,—the record must be one of Āditya I, as llangōvēlār would not apply to Parāntaka in the record of any other sovereign. Then the interval between this record mentioning the marriage of Parāntaka and his death would be eighty years (34 plus 46) at least, which looks improbable. There were many Paluvēṭṭaraiyars, and Ilangōvēlār is not the same as Ilangō. Perhaps Vikramaiōla Ilangōvēlār was only a minor chieftain of some feudatory family.

[§] See Studies pp. 163 ff.

[¶] SII. ii. 383 v. 7.

Parāntaka as the bee at the lotus feet of Siva (Purāntaka), and they and the Leyden grant concur in stating that he covered with gold the Siva temple of Cidambaram. * In fact Parāntaka's reign was a great epoch in the history of South Indian temple architecture, and the work of temple-building begun by Āditya was continued vigorously during the best part of his reign. We have also much valuable and interesting evidence from the inscriptions on the details of administration, central and rural, on the state of religious faith and so on. These matters have been reserved for detailed study at a later stage.

^{*} See also Gandarāditya's Tiruvišaippā on Köyil: Tennanādum Iļamumkonda tirar-cengor-colan koli-vēndan Sembiyan ponnaninda * * * Tillaiyambalattu (v. 8).



CHAPTER VIII

FROM THE DEATH OF PARANTAKA I (953 A.D.) TO THE

ACCESSION OF RAJARAJA I (985 A.D.)

I.—Chronology and order of succession.

The relatively short interval of about thirty years from the death of Parāntaka to the accession of Rājarāja I is one of the most difficult passages of Cōla history. The evidence is confusing, and no two scholars are agreed in its proper interpretation. It is hardly possible to put forward a scheme of succession without a more or less full discussion of possible alternatives.

We may begin by setting forth in some detail the nature of the evidence at hand. Stone inscriptions constitute the chief source of our knowledge, and there are several among these that unmistakably belong to this period. * The inscriptions of Kannaradeva (Kṛṣṇa III) bearing regnal years higher than twenty-three, and found in the districts

[•] Three inscriptions, all of the ninth year of a Parantakadeva, pose one of the minor problems in Cola epigraphy. No 16 of 1896 from Tiruvalangadu, North Arcot, calls the king Parakesari and Tribhuvana-Cakravartin. No. 261 of 1923 from Köyil-Tevarayanpettai, Tanjore Dt., does the same, and in addition gives a historical introduction beginning pā-mangai-vaļara. No. 225 of 1929 from Tiruvadattugai, S. Arcot, gives the same introduction, but calls the king Rājakēsari and Cakravartin. If the records are genuine, they must be of the reign of either Parantaka I Parakēsari, or Parantaka II Rājakēsari. But the absence of other Cola prašastis before Rājarāja I, the title Tribhuvana-cakravartin applied to the king in two of these records, and the fact that the third is found in a temple which has no other inscription of a period earlier than that of Vīrarājēndra, render these records suspicious. They furnish no information of historical importance. See AKE. 1924, II 9; 1929, II 26.

of North Arcot and Chingleput constitute the first group of these records: the latest year in them is twenty-eight, and this would take us to A.D. 965. * Of the remaining stone inscriptions of the period, ten inscriptions belong to Maduraikonda Of Maduraikonda Rājakēsari and bear dates in regnal Rajakesari, years ranging from five to seventeen. Four inscriptions belong to Sundara Cola with titles Madhurāntaka and Pāndiyanaic-curam-Of Sundara. irakkina; two of these are dated in years five and seven, while the dates in the other two are lost. A considerable number with Of Vira-Pandiyanyears ranging from two to five are talai-konda those of Parakēsari who had the title Parakesari. (Vīra) Pāņdiyan - talai - koņda; and a still larger number belong to a Parthivendra-varman with the same title and with other Of Parthivendra. variants to his name like Vendradivarman, Parthivendradhipati-varman and so on: these records give dates up to the thirteenth regnal year. † Lastly, we have a number of Parakesari Uttama Cola's inscriptions with regnal years from two Of Uttama Cola. to sixteen; two of them are precisely dated and fix the limits of his reign. The title Parakēsari, and the dates in his inscriptions ‡ which

^{*} Krishna Sastri (SII. ii Introd. 12) says: "Perhaps the years quoted in Kannara-Kṛṣṇa's Tamil inscriptions must be taken to count from 949 A.D." On the same page he admits that Kṛṣṇa died in Saka 889 or 967 A.D. He does not explain why, after this date, records should bear his name and his regnal years till about 977 A.D. Again, he admits that 949 A.D. was not the year of Kṛṣṇa's entry into Toṇḍaimaṇḍalam but the following year; why, then, should this year have been the starting point for the dates in his Tamil records? The highest regnal year in the Tamil inscriptions is not 30 as was believed till recently but only 28 (364 of 1902, 159 of 1921); the date in No. 232 of 1902 (Kṛḷūr) is now read as 20, not (3)0 which was given in ARE. 1903. See SII. vii 859.

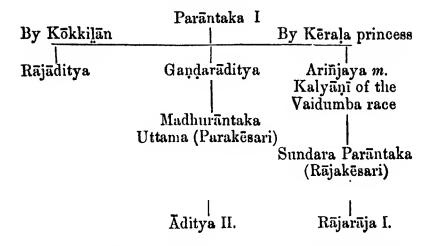
[†] See, however, p. 180 post on a record of year 15.

¹ See SII. iii, 185, 138.

couple Kali year 4083 (A.D. 981-2) with his regnal year thirteen, fix Uttama Cōla's place as the immediate predecessor of Rājakēsari Rājarāja I. It should also be observed that some of the numerous records which give no more detailed specification of the ruling sovereign than to call him Rājakēsari or Parakēsari will, no doubt, on any scheme of chronology, be found to fall in this period; but these may, for the most part, be left on one side in the present discussion.

Besides the stone inscriptions, we have the evidence of copper-plate grants. The only Copper-plates. grant that falls in this period is that in the Anbil plates of the fourth year of Sundara Cola. Unfortunately for us, Madhava Bhatta, the composer of the Sanskrit prasasti in these plates, was less anxious to record facts which must have been very well known to him than to display his capacity for alankāras in his verse. As it is, even for the fact that Sundara Cola was a Rājakēsari we have to depend on the opening of the Tamil part of the record. The Tiruvalangadu plates imply, and the Leyden grant expressly affirms, that after the death of Rajaditya the succession took place in the following order: Gandaraditya, Arindama, Parantaka, Aditya and Madhurantaka. The Kanyakumāri inscription of Vīrarājēndra which, though a stone inscription, resembles the copper-plates in the form of its lengthy preamble, gives only the names of Arindama and Parantaka II between Parantaka I and Rājarāja, apparently because the author of the prasasti had no other object in view than to trace the descent of the reigning king in the direct line from Vijayalaya. The genealogy of the Colas from Parantaka I to Rājarāja as it is given in these records may be set

down before proceeding further:



One thing is clear and it is necessary to grasp this firmly; that we cannot treat the Overlapping regnal years gathered from the stone records as those of kings whose reigns succeeded one another in regular order in the manner implied by the copper-plate grants. For in that case the period would, if we omit Pārthivēndra - varman from the reckoning and add the highest regnal years known of Maduraikoṇḍa Rājakēsari, Sundara, Āditya and Uttama, extend to 45 years, a period much too long

for the interval between Parāntaka I and Rājarāja. Then there is the possibility that Gaṇḍarāditya and Arinjaya also ruled as kings. A Rājakēsari inscription possibly of Rājarāja I's reign * mentions the second year of Gaṇḍarādityadēva alias Mummuḍicōļa-dēva, while taking stock of the gifts made by his queen Sembiyan Mahādēvi at various times to the temple of Tiruveṇ-kāḍu. Records of the eighth year of Rājakēsari † show that Arikulakēsari, the son of Parāntaka, stood in the

^{* 44} of 1918 under year 6 of Rajaraja I.

⁺ SII. iii, 111 and 112.

relation of Pillaiyar or Alvar, * (terms often applied to junior members of the royal family), to the ruling king who, being a Rajakesari, could only have been Gandaraditya.

As for Arinjaya, besides the statements in the copper-plates regarding his rule, there is a Rājakēsari record dated in the twelfth year † which mentions two queens of 'Arinjigaivarman who died at Ārrūr'; and inscriptions from Mēlpāḍi dated late in the reign of Rājarāja I‡ mention the construction by him of the Cōlēsvara temple as a memorial shrine (pallippaḍai) to Ārrūrttunjina-dēva. These references render it probable that Arinjaya lived long enough to rule in his own right, though, perhaps, only for a short time. Taking all these facts into consideration, we see clearly that there must have been a great deal of overlapping of the regnal years of the different kings quoted in the lithic records.

Another preliminary question that must be considered is the exact significance of the phrase 'talai-konda' which is of some importance to the history of this

^{*} Krishna Sastri remarks: "The epithet Alvar is taken to be one of respect. It may also indicate that he was dead at the time," and then proceeds, "if Arikulakësari, Arikësari, Ariñjaya or Arindama died before the 8th year of Gandaraditya as inferred already, the next king must have been a son of Arikulakësari who, as the Anbil plates say, was Prince Sundara Cola born of a Vaidumba princess." (SII. iii, Introd. p. 14). But though Arikulakesari may be identified with Arifijaya, there is nothing to show that he predeceased Gandaraditya. We know that, in many records of Rajaraja I, his elder sister Kundavai is called Alvar during her life-time. Further, seeing that Gandaraditya and Sundara Cola who succeeded him were both Rajakesaris, Krishna Sastri suggests (ibid n. 2) that the intervening Parakesari must be identified with the infant son of Ganda-aditya who, though chosen for succession, 'may have been too young at the time to succeed his father.' Ingenious, but not likely. See also EI. xv, p. 53 where Gopinatha Rao adopts the same arrangement, cutting out Arinjaya and making Gandaraditya a Parakesari who followed his elder brother kajaditya Rajakesari.

^{† 587} of 1920 (under Sundara).

^{1 83, 84, 86} of 1889 (SII. iii 15-17).

period; because Vīra Pāndya claims to have done this to a Cola king and others claim to have done the same thing to Vīra Pāndya himself. The phrase has been generally understood to mean 'having cut off the head', and the identity of the Cola king who died at the hands of the Pandya has been much discussed.* It appears, however, that the true meaning of the phrase is that the vanquished king had to acknowledge his defeat by humbling himself before the conqueror in a particular manner, as it were placing his head at the disposal of the conqueror. Hultzsch has pointed out † that in the inscriptions of Kulottunga III, the phrase ' Pandiyanai mudittalai kondaruliya' employed in some records is explained by another phrase: 'avan mudi mēl adi vaittu' of other inscriptions of the same reign; so that the process of 'taking the head' consisted in the vanquished king bowing and touching with his head the feet of the conqueror seated in open darbar. The celebrated Kṛṣṇa Dēva Rāya of Vijayanagar only varied this traditional procedure slightly when he demanded that, as the price of peace, Adil Shah of Bijapur should visit him and kiss his foot. # The Guruparamparai, a work which often gives a true account of the practices of Cola times, mentions that the king from Gangaikonda-śolapuram mounted his state elephant by placing his foot on the head of his sāmanta, or fendatory. § The above interpretation of talai-konda has a bearing on the discussion of the chronology of this period, because it follows that a king whose 'head was taken' by another need not be assumed to have died at the time this happened to him. It is, of course,

Gopinatha Rao thinks it was Sundara Cola EI. xv p. 54; others say Gandaraditya, QJMS. xvii p. 195. See also ARE, 1921, Il 61.

[†] SII. iii p. 215 n. 4.

¹ Sewell : Forgotten Empire p. 145.

[§] Guruparamparai pp. 105-6, (ed. S. Krishnamachari, 1927).

another matter where we have clear statements of a person being killed. Applying this to the cases arising in this period, we see that the Tiruvālangādu plates make an express declaration that Āditya II killed Vīra Pāṇḍya in battle and brought his severed head to the Cōļa capital.* Even here the lateness of the testimony throws suspicion on the event. There is no clear evidence, however, that a Cōḷa sovereign lost his life at the hands of Vīra Pāṇḍya, and apparently Vīra Pāṇḍya's boastful title meant no more than that he inflicted a temporary humiliation on a Cōḷa king or prince.

Evidence

Identification of

Maduraikonda

Rājakēsari.

has been cited above showing that Gandaraditya was a Rajakesari and that he ruled for at least eight years. His rule might have commenced from the death of Rajaditya, whose place he

must have taken as heir apparent in Parāntaka's lifetime. A suggestion has sometimes been made that Gaṇḍarāditya was a Parakēsari and that Arindama, placed immediately after him by the Tiruvālangāḍu plates, was identical with Maduraikoṇḍa Rājakēsari.† This seems to rest really on two assumptions; that Rājāditya ruled after Parāntaka's death, and that as he was a Rājakēsari, Gaṇḍarāditya who succeeded him must have been a Parakēsari. But it has been shown that the first of these assumptions is not true. It is likely enough that Rājāditya assumed the title Rājakēsari when he was made heir apparent; but considering that he predeceased his father, Gaṇḍarāditya who took his place must have assumed the same title so that the sovereign ruler next after Parāntaka Parakēsari

[•] vv. 67 and 68. Contra Kielhorn, List p. 115 n. 2 written before the Tiruvālangādu plates were discovered.

⁺ ARE. 1904 II, 20; 1909 II, 39.

might be a Rājakēsari. In fact the general opinion now prevailing is that Gaṇḍarāditya was a Rājakēsari, * though the implication that Rājāditya predeceased his father does not seem to have been so clearly grasped. For we shall see at a later stage of this discussion that an application of the rule that every heir apparent, whether one or more, adopted the title Rājakēsari or Parakēsari, according as the ruling sovereign was Parakēsari or Rājakēsari, furnishes a neat solution of the difficulties that could not otherwise be adequately met.

The Rājakēsari title may, therefore, be admitted for Gaṇḍarāditya. But the suggestion, first made by Venkayya, † that Gaṇḍarāditya was no other than Maduraikoṇḍa Rājakēsari, appears to have been accepted without sufficient examination of the evidence. ‡ The title Maduraikoṇḍa was taken to imply that the king was the son of Maduraikoṇḍa Parakēsari, Parāntaka I. Hence when Gaṇḍarāditya was believed to be a Parakēsari, Maduraikoṇḍa was identified with Ariñjaya Rājakēsari. ¶ Later when Gaṇḍarāditya became a Rājakēsari himself, he was said to be also Maduraikoṇḍa Rājakēsari. But this assumption is by no means an

^{*} SII. iii Introd. p. 14; and ASI. 1908 9 p. 122; also ARE. 1912 II 17, more halting in its tone.

[†] ASI, 1908-9 p. 122.

[‡] As a matter of fact, the discussion of the subject in ARE. 1912, Il 17 with reference to No. 306 of 1911 (year 7) is very cautious. It is said that the title Maduraikonda implies that the king was a son of Parantaka. On the other hand it is admitted that G. is nowhere 'clearly stated' to have been a Rajakësari, and that it is difficult to see how the seventeen years of this king can be treated as the period of the rule of Gandaraditya when there are only twenty years for three reigns—Gandaraditya, Sundara Cola Parantaka II and Aditya II Karikala. The conclusion is: "In any case we may for the present provisionally presume that Maduraikonda Rajakësari is identical with Gandaraditya." It is on the basis of this provisional conclusion that Krishna Sastri arranges the inscriptions in SII. iii, part 3. See p. 250 No. 114, introduction and note 4.

[¶] ARE. 1909 II 39.

argument, and one must be prepared to relinquish it if reason is shown for doing so. Now, let us turn to the provenance of the records of Maduraikonda Rajakēsari. All of them, except three records of the fourteenth and seventeenth years, come from the North Arcot and Chingleput districts. Three of these are dated in his fifth year, and a fourth in the seventh. One of the records of the fifth year belongs to a place called Karikkal, near Sholingur, in the Walajapet Taluq of North Arcot. Its date falls about 954 A. I). At the latest, that is, assuming that Parantaka I died in 953 A. D. and that Gandaraditya did not begin his rule till after that event, it might be 958. A. D. difficult to see how this can be reconciled with the fact that Kṛṣṇa III was still at Mēlpādi in 959 A.D. distributing conquered territory among his followers, and that his inscriptions are found in Tondai-mandalam up to about 965. A. D. These objections to identifying Gandarāditya with Maduraikonda Rājakēsari are weighty, and should prevail even if no other identification were possible from the later inscriptions of the But fortunately there is open to us an easy, and doubtless the correct, solution of the question which would be readily accepted, once the idea is given up that Maduraikonda must have been a son of another Maduraikonda, that is, Parantaka I. A single record from Kodumbāļūr, * from which the date has been lost, opens by mentioning 'udaiyār madurāntakan Sundara - solan.' This unique record disposes of the notion that the title Madurantaka (Madiraikonda) in the records of this period must have been borne only by a son of Parantaka I, for we know of no Sundara-solan who was his son. This inscription offers the clue to the correct identity of Maduraikonda Rajakesari. Sundara

^{* 139} of 1907; Pd. 82.

Cōļa, the son of Ariñjaya, was a Rājakēsari, as the Anbil plates tell us, and he had also the title 'Madurān-takan.' He has yet another title which gives evidence of his Pāṇḍyan war, namely, Pāṇḍyanaic - curam-irakkina.* These facts seem to point definitely to the conclusion that Sundara Cōļa Parāntaka II was the king who, in some of his records, is called Madi(n)-raikoṇḍa Rājakēsari.

There is one record of Madiraikonda Rājakēsari which, at first sight, seems to render it His relation more likely that Gandaraditya rather to Uttama Cola. than Sundara Cola was the king of that record. This inscription + from Tiruvorriyur is dated in the fifth year and registers the endowment of a lamp by one of the nobles of Udaiyar Śri Uttama Cola-deva who accompanied him to the temple. Krishna Sastri, in editing this record, says: reasonable doubt may arise why Uttama Cola is given here the title of a ruling king and not that of a prince. It was perhaps because he was the chosen successor of Gandaraditya at the time. We know, however, that he actually came to the Cola throne only after one or two other kings had reigned subsequent to his father's death." But if this was so, if Uttama Cola was in the fifth year of his father's reign old enough to be chosen heir apparent, to adopt regal style and to visit temples with his (perundaram) nobles, and if his father continued to rule for twelve years thereafter, it is hard to see why he did not succeed his father immediately on his death and had to wait until most probably Arinjaya and Sundara, possibly also Aditya II, had finished their rule. Not only does Krishna Sastri not

^{* 291} of 1908. El. xii pp. 121-6.

[†] SII. iii 115 (246 of 1912).

explain this, but he says elsewhere: * "At the time of Gandaraditya's death, Uttama Cola must have been a young boy, as he was set aside in the order of succession till three kings after Gandaraditya had ruled and died." Surely it is not easy to reconcile the two positions that the king of the Tiruvorriyur record was Gandaraditya, and that at his death, his son was a young boy, so young that he had to wait through the reigns of three of his successors before he could himself rule. There is a more serious discrepancy. Even assuming that Gandaraditya counted his regnal years from the death of Rajaditya (949 A. D.), if we identify him with Maduraikonda Rajakesari, who ruled for at least seventeen years, his reign would extend up to 966 A. D. And Madhurantaka Uttama Coļa began to rule in 969-70. A.D. The interval of three years is too short to take in the reign of even Sundara Cola whose records unmistakably give him a rule of not less than seven years +, much less those of three kings. The Tiruvorriyur record cited at the beginning of this paragraph cannot, therefore, be assigned to Gandaraditya. It must be admitted, however, that even if we take it to be a record of Sundara Cola, the difficulty still remains of explaining the regal title of Uttama Cola in it. Seeing that Sundara had a son Aditya who was ably assisting him in his warlike enterprises, it seems unlikely that he recognised, and that so early in his reign, a prince from a collateral, although senior, branch of his family as heir apparent. The only suggestion that offers itself, and for which support may be found in analogous cases from Cola records, is that though the gift recorded in the inscription was made in the fifth year of Sundara Cola when

^{*} SII. iii, Introd. p. 14.

^{† 291} of 1908.

Uttama might have been old enough to have a retinue of his own with which he went about touring the country, it was not actually engraved on stone until Uttama Cola had begun to reign in his own right, which he did, as we shall see, immediately after Sundara Cola. *

There remain two further questions to be discussed—the position of Vīra - Pāndiyan - talai - konda Parakēsari and the identity of Pārthivēndravarman who bears the same title. The former may certainly be identified with Aditya, the son of Sundara Cola, who according to the Tiruvalangadu plates Two Parakesaris and the Leyden grant fought against in succession. Vīra Pāṇḍya.† But Āditya II was followed by another Parakesari, viz., Madhurantaka Uttama Cola. This appears, at first sight, to violate the normal rule of the Rajakesari alternating with the Parakēsari title among the ruling sovereigns of the Cola dynasty. Krishna Sastri says of Uttama Cola: # "Contrary to the usual order, according to which he ought to have been a Rajakësarivarman, his predecessor Āditya II being Parakēsarivarman, he too was called a Parakēsarivarman, evidently because he was the son of a Rājakēsarivarman and succeeded to the throne not by the right he possessed, but at the request of his cousin's son Rajaraja I who was the chosen successor." Two remarks may be made on this explanation: first,

^{*}One writer (QJMS. xvii, p. 197) claims that 'after a close and patient study of many inscriptions published, unpublished and not yet copied by the Epigraphical department,' he has come to the conclusion that all Rāja Rājakēsari records (with one Rāja) must be assigned to Gaṇḍarāditya, as Rājarāja to whom such inscriptions are assigned really called himself Kō Rājarāja Rājakēsari, (with two Raja-s). No. 176 of 1906 is a record in the seventh year of Rāja Rājakēsari and mentions the fifteenth year of Uttama Cōļa; see also 298 of 1908.

⁺ vv. 67-8 and 28 respectively.

[‡] SII. iii. Introd. p. 16.

it seems hardly consistent with the position held by Krishna Sastri, not by us, that Uttama Cola was chosen successor in Gandaraditya's reign, and that on account of his tender age, "the claims of Gandaraditya's chosen successor were temporarily set aside and postponed." * For, if this was so, how can it be said that he succeeded to the throne not in his own right, but at the request of Rajaraja? Then again the implication that the son of a Rajakësari must be a Parakësari is contradicted by the example of Rajaraja I, who was a Rājakēsari himself and the son of a Rājakēsari. It may also be stated here that Arinjaya, who must have ruled a short while as Parakēsari, was also the son of a Parakēsari. The true explanation of two Parakēsaris coming one after another seems to be that the earlier Parakesari, the chosen heir apparent, Aditya II, died in the life-time of his father Sundara Cola, and the prince chosen next for the throne also took the title of Parakësari in order that Rājakësari Sundara might be followed on the throne by a Parakēsari after his death. At the death of Aditya II, † Sundara Cola had to choose Uttama Cola and not his younger son Rajaraja, either because Uttama Cola forced the choice by threatening civil war, or because Rājarāja of his own will preferred to wait. The verses in the Tiruvālangādu plates, which are the only direct source of our information, can support either interpretation. They declare on the one hand that Uttama Cola was eager to rule and on the other that Rajaraja was too good a kṣatriya to dream of the throne for himself while his father's cousin wanted it. And we shall see that Uttama Cola made clear his eagerness to rule by, possibly, instigating a political murder.

^{*} See ibid pp. 14 n. 2; 16, n. 1.

[†] For a possible son of Aditya, Karikala-kannan by name, whose existence may be inferred from the inscriptions of Rajaraja, see SII. ii, p. 460 and n. 2.

The identity of Parthivendravarman, whose records, are found in the districts of Parthivendra-North and South Arcot, and Chinglevarman. put, is involved in much obscurity. The suggestion * that he was the same as Prthivipati II, the Ganga feudatory of Parantaka, is the result of a very dubious inference from the resemblance in meaning between the names Pythivīpati and Pārthivēndra. It is also partly the result of a confusion between the Ganga king and a feudatory of Kṛṣṇa III who, though he had the name Kannaradeva-Pṛthivigangariyar, was quite different from the Ganga. † After examining the records of Aditya II and Parthivendravarman, Krishna Sastri has reached the following conclusion: ‡ "Both these kings claim the epithet, 'who took the head of Pandya or Vīra-Pandya'-evidently the same Pāṇdya king who was at war with Sundara Cōla Parantaka II-and the title Parakcsarivarman. Inscriptions of the former are very few and found only in the south, the latest regnal year being the 5th. Of the latter, there are many in Tondai-mandalam and the latest regnal year is the 13th. Parthivendra Adityavarman may have been a prince of the royal family and viceroy of Tondai-mandalam. Aditya Karikala appears to have been the actual successor." The inscriptions of Pandiyan-talai-konda Parakesari are not so very few after all; and what is more important, they are not confined to 'the south,' if by that is meant the country to the south of and outside Tondaimandalam. There are five inscriptions of his in North Arcot and more in South Arcot. On examination we find that the Parthivendravarman records

^{*} ARE, 1921 II 61.

[†] EI. vii p. 195. Con. EI. iv p. 223 followed by Rangachari in N.A. 586.

[‡] SII. iii (Intr.) p. 15.

differ from those of Āditya Parakēsari in their provenance only in so far as the former are found in Chingleput district also, and are not found south of Toṇḍai-maṇḍalam. We also find the following features which have a cumulative significance in the consideration of his identity. He is a Parakēsari; * he has the regal title and calls himself 'Kōvirājamārāyar'; † in an early record of the third year he is even called Pārthivēndra Ādittaparumar; ‡ his queens have also the full regal style,—uḍaiyār dēviyār Villavan mahādēviyār; § Perumānaḍigaļ dēviyārt-tanmapponnār-āgiya Trailōkya mahādēviyār. ¶ It seems clear that, far from being a feudatory of the Cōļa king, the ruler who can lay claim to so much distinction must himself be a

Perhaps identical with Aditya II.

Cola monarch, and the name Āditya and the title Parakēsari clearly suggest his identity with Āditya Karikūla Parakēsari. 'Pārthivēndra Ādityavarman'

and its variant forms occurring in his records show that he took the title 'Pārthivēndra.' The Cōla kings were very fond of high-sounding birudas, and almost every one of them had many such titles. As the latest recorded regnal year in his inscriptions seems to be the thirteenth year, || it follows that he must have been chosen co-regent within the first few years after his father Sundara Cōla's accession. This looks very probable considering that the Leyden grant gives him credit for having successfully attacked Vīra Pāṇḍya as a young boy. Afterwards he must have been deputed to rule the northern part of the Cōla dominion. Apparently he died in the life-time of his father and was

^{*} SII. iii 180. † SII. iii 186. ‡ SII. iii, 158. 8 SII. iii 193. ¶ 17 of 1921.

[§] SII, iii 193. ¶ 17 of 192

See, however, post pp. 180-1.

succeeded in the place of heir apparent by Parakēsari Uttama Cōla.

The results of the foregoing discussion may thus be summarised before the history of the period is taken up:

Rājakēsari Gaṇḍarāditya
A.D. 949 - 957
Parakēsari Arinjaya
c. A.D. 956 - 957
Rājakēsari Sundara Cōļa
(Madurai-koṇḍa)
c. A.D. 956 - 973
[Parakēsari Āditya II
Pārthivēndra Karikāla
c. A.D. 956 - 969]

There is just one record * of Parthivendravarman from the Chingleput district which is The Parandur dated in the fifteenth year. Though Record. the inscription is damaged, a careful examination of the impression of the record establishes two things: the date of the record is clearly 15; and though the chiselling of the letters is by no means good, and the stone is apparently much decayed, there is no reason to question the genuineness of the record which exhibits most of the characteristic palaeographic features of the period. This date must, if accepted, upset the scheme of chronology given above which is based on the identification of Aditya II with Parthivendra, for we cannot possibly find room for the fifteen years before the accession of Uttama Cola and within the reign of Sundara. The period of thirteen years takes us almost to the limit and involves the assumption, in itself by no means unlikely, that Sundara associated his son Aditya in his administration very soon after his accession to the throne. On the other hand, this inscription of the fifteenth year from Parandur is the only record so far

^{* 75} of 1923. Nos. 62, 63 of 1889 (SII. iv, 291.2) are late copies and they are most probably Parakësari records.

known of Parthivendravarman with a regnal year higher than thirteen. We have several records of the thirteenth year, none whatever of the fourteenth, and only this one of the fifteenth. And it is extremely difficult to see any other solution to the riddle presented by his records than the one offered above; for if Pārthivēndra was not Āditya himself, how are we to explain the numerous coincidences to which attention has been drawn above, and which cannot all of them be accidental? The suggestion may therefore be made that in the regnal year in the Parandur record, the second figure which looks like the ordinary i (2) contains some mistake on the part of the engraver. This record need not be taken into account, therefore, unless other records with higher regnal years than 13 are discovered in future years.

One final consideration remains to be urged in addition to those so far dealt with. If Aditya and Pārthivēndravarman were not identical, the highest regnal year for Aditya would be that found in the records of Parakēsari who took the head of Vīra Pandya, namely five. We must naturally assume these five years to have been those immediately preceding Uttama Cola's accession in A.D. 969-70; this would lead to Aditya's initial year falling somewhere about A.D. 964/5, which would be in the 8th or 9th year of Sundara Cola according to the chronology suggested above. The fact that Sundara Cola is clearly described as having come out successful in the Pandyan war before his seventh year (A.D. 963), together with the statement of the Leyden grant that Aditya took part in the fight at Śevūr when still young, may lend some support to the view that Aditya had become subking earlier in Sundara's reign. This argument cannot

be pressed far, as it is possible that Aditya fought without being formally associated in the government; or a second fight with the Pandyas might have come about later, about the year A.D. 964/5.

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The rule of Rajakesari Gandaraditya is attested not only by the statements of the Tiruvālan-Gandaraditya. gadu and the Leyden grants which, though vague, doubtless imply that he ruled in his own right as king, but by three Rajakesari inscriptions * from the Trichinopoly district, all dated in the eighth year and mentioning Pillaiyar or Alvar Arikulakësaridēva. The sphere of Cola rule in his day must have been very limited and at the time of his death, about A.D. 957, † Kṛṣṇa III was still perhaps in Toudaimandalam consolidating his position and distributing the conquered country among his allies and servants. Gandarāditya left behind an infant son, Uttama Cola, by his queen Sembiyan Mahadevi. This lady who survived her husband and even her His queen. son for many years, and lived on till 1001 A.D. ‡, must have been widowed in early youth. After the death of her husband, hers was a life devoted to religion and charity. The number of stone temples to Siva built by her, and of substantial endowments for their up-keep after the commencement of her son's rule will be noticed later. Very probably His Tiruvisaippā. Gandarāditya was the author of the single hymn on the temple of Cidambaram. hymn there is a distinct statement that Parantaka I

^{* 176} of 1907; 570, 574 of 1908, (SII. iii 111, 112.)

[†] Krishna Sastri assigns 287 of 1911 (SII. iii 113) to G. I rather think it is a record of Sundara Cola. See post. p. 187 n. ‡

^{1 200} of 1904.

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conquered the Pāṇḍya country and Ilam, and covered the temple of Naṭarāja with gold; and the author calls himself, like Parāntaka, the king of Kōli (Uraiyūr) and the lord of the Tañjaiyar (people of Tanjore). * Gaṇḍarāditya seems to have been known also as Mērkelundaruļina-dēvar, the king who went to the west. †

The identity in meaning of the titles Arikulakesari and Arinjaya or Arindama has often Ariñjaya. led to the supposition that they refer to one and the same person, a younger son of Parantaka I. This may be so. In any event, Arinjava Parakesari succeeded his brother Gandaraditya and had a short reign. As yet we have no direct evidence of the transactions of his reign. Two of his queens Viman Kundavaiyār and Kodai-pirāttiyār survived him and made gifts in his son's reign. Though it has been thought that Viman Kundavai was a daughter of the Cāļukya Bluma II of Vēngī, ‡ such an alliance between the Colas and the Calukyas in this period when the Colas were reduced to virtual subordination to the Rastrakūtas seems hardly likely. If, however, Kundavai was an Eastern Cāļukya princess, her marriage with Arinjaya must have taken place before the invasion of the Cola country by Kṛṣṇa and sometime after the raid on Nellore by Maran Parameśvaran, in the reign of Parantaka I. But two inscriptions § from Tiruppalanam, dated in the second year of Parakesari, mention an Araiyan Adittan Viman making some gifts to the local

^{*} These features of the hymn render it more likely that its author was this king rather than the official of Rājarāja, Madhurāntakan Gaṇḍarādittar, who is found employed in enquiring into the affairs of temples and whose name seems to imply that he was the son of Madhurāntaka Uttama Cōļa. Contra Venkayya ASI. 1905-6 p. 173, n. 5.

^{+ 540} of 1920.

^{1 587} of 1920. ARE. 1921, II 26.

^{§ 162, 172} of 1928.

temple, and there is nothing to preclude this noble (Araiyan) from being the father of Arinjaya's queen. * If this view is correct, these Parakesari records must be assigned to Arinjaya, and in view of the strict limits placed on the duration of Arinjaya's rule by the general chronology of the period we must assume, what is not unlikely, that Arinjaya was chosen heir apparent to Gandaraditya † sometime soon after the death of Parantaka I. Arinjaya is said to have died at Arrur, ‡ a place that cannot be definitely identified. An inscription of Rajaraja I states that he built at Mēlpādi a memorial shrine (pallipadai) \ to the king who died at Arrur and this implies that Arrur was somewhere in that neighbourhood. Probably, Arinjaya had entered upon the task of regaining the Cola possessions in the north lost to Kṛṣṇa III. This suggestion gains force from an inscription ¶ from Tirunagesvaram which mentions Arinjigap-pirattiyar, daughter of prince Arikulakēsari and wife of a Bāņa king.

This is a record of the second or third year of a Rājakēsarivarman who may be identified with Gaṇḍarāditya. It suggests that even under Gaṇḍarāditya attempts were made to retrieve the losses sustained in the closing years of his father's rule, and that, possibly, the Bāṇas, or some among them, were successfully seduced from their allegiance to Kṛṣṇa III. This Bāṇa alliance may thus be counted among the earliest indications of the emergence of Cōļa power from the eclipse it suffered

^{*} See ARE. 1928 II 3.

⁺ This, if correct, would be an additional objection to Krishna Sastri's reconstruction of the order of succession.

^{± 587} of 1920.

[§] SII. iii 17.

^{¶ 215} of 1911; the date given as [9] is not clear in the original, but it cannot be 9. ARE. 1912 II 16.

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for a time. After the death of Gaṇḍarāditya, his efforts were continued by Arinjaya who fell fighting at Ārrūr. If this view of Gaṇḍarāditya's reign is correct, it is possible that he also sought, at first with little success, to recover lost ground in the south, and that Vīra Pāṇḍya's boast of 'taking the head' of a Cōļa may be referred to the same reign.

Arinjaya was succeeded by his son by the Vaidumba princess Kalyāņi, the only queen of Sundara Cola Arinjaya mentioned by the Aubil plates. This son was Sundara Cola Parantaka II who. as we have seen, was also known as Maduraikonda-Rājakēsari. The attention of Sundara Cola was first directed to the south. Vīra Pāṇḍya, having repulsed Gaudarāditya's attempt to restore Cōļa supremacy in the Pandya country, was ruling as an independent potentate. The Leyden grant * tells us that in a great battle at Cēvūr, Parantaka caused Cevur rivers of blood to flow from the deep cuts inflicted by him on the elephants of the enemy and that his son Aditya, while yet a boy, played with Vīra Pāndya in the battle, like a lion's whelp sporting with a tusker. Aditya's heroism was probably exhibited in the field of Ceviir, and that battle must have furnished the occasion for his claim that he 'took the head of Vīra Pāndya'. The Leyden grant does not, like the Tiruvālangādu plates, state that Vīra Pāndya was killed by Aditya, and it is possible that Pandya War the composer of the Tiruvalangadu plates, struck by the forcible simile in the Leyden grant, embellished the account of Aditya's contest with Vīra Pāṇḍya; and his account of Āditya's rule adds nothing else to what we learn from the earlier grant. The chances are that, after the battle of Ceviir

[•] vv. 25, 28.

in which Vīra Pāṇḍya sustained a bad defeat, the Cōļa forces led, among others, by Parāntakan Śiriyavēļār of Koḍumbāļūr, continued the campaign into the Pāṇḍya country, and forced Vīra Pāṇḍya to seek refuge in the forests. * The Pāṇḍya sovereign was on this occasion also supported by Ceylonese troops in his endeavour to

resist the Cola aggression; for Śiriyavelār led an expedition to Ceylon, and there he fell fighting in the third year of Sundara Cola, about 959 A.D. † The Mahāvamsa, corroborating this account, records the following in the reign of Mahinda IV (956-72 A. D.): ‡

"The Vallabha king sent a force to Nāgadīpa § to subdue this our country. The Ruler hearing this, the king sent thither the senāpati Sena by name, to whom he had made over an army, to fight with the troops of the Vallabha king. The senāpati betook himself thither, fought with the troops of this (Vallabha) king, defeated them and remained master of the battle-field. As the kings with the Vallabha (king) at their head, were unable to vanquish our king, they made a friendly treaty with the ruler of Lankā. In this way the fame of the king penetrated to Jambudīpa, spreading over Lankā and crossing the ocean."

The Vessagiri slab inscription ¶ of Mihindu which mentions the successful campaign of senāpati Sena against the Damilas furnishes epigraphical confirmation of the statements in the chronicle and the Cola inscriptions. ∥

^{* 302} of 1908. Kanyākumāri inscription v. 63.

^{† 116} of 1896, SII. v. 980 (Yr. 27 of Rajaraja I).

¹ Ch. 54 vv 12-16.

[§] The N. W. part of Ceylon (Geiger). The Vallabha has sometimes been identified with the Raştrakuta Kryna fil (Codrington Ceylon Coins p. 50). But the Colas were called 'Valava' and the Vessagiri inscription implies that the invaders were Tamils. See Codrington's Short History of Ceylon pp. 39 and 53.

[¶] EZ. i. pp. 29 ff.

 $[\]parallel$ Some statements in Chapter VIII of PK, on the chronology and the course of the C51a conquest, are seen to need considerable modification. To one point

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Besides Aditya II, two other persons claim success against Vīra Pāndya. One of these is Allies of the Pārthivēndra-varman of whom some-Colas thing has been said already. other is Bhūti-vikramakēsari of Kodumbālūr, who claims to have conquered Vīra Pāndya in battle. The inscription * which gives this information, also states that Vikramakësari turned the waters of the Kāvēri red with the blood shed by the army of the Vikramakësari Pallava, put an end to Vañcivel and ruled from Kodumbāļūr. He had two queens Karrali and Varaguna. A Rajakësari inscription, from which the date has been lost, † mentions that Karralip-piratti was the wife of Tennavan Ilangovelar alias Maravan Pūdiyār, which may be other names of Vikramakēsari. Two others dated in the thirteenth year of Rajakesari mention Varaguna-perumanar, apparently the other queen of Vikramakësari. One of these, from Tillaisthanam, ‡ says that she was the queen of Parantaka Ilangovēlār, a title showing doubtless the subordinate

in particular attention may be drawn here. Vīra Pāṇḍya 'who took the head of the Cōla' bore that title for thirteen years. (PK. p. 102). This clearly means that Vīra Pāṇḍya did not lose his life at the hands of Āditya and his confederates. For if we accept, for the sake of argument, the latest date suggested for the accession of Āditya II, 905 A.D., Vīra Pāṇḍya must have lost his life in A.D. 906, hecause Āditya's records of the second year mention the event. Thirteen years earlier than this date takes us to A.D. 953 or 954, a date which seems to be too soon after the Rāṣṭrakūṭa invasion for a contest between the Cōlas and the Pāṇḍyas in the South—a contest which gave Vīra Pāṇḍya the occasion to 'take the head of the Cōla.' If Pārthivēndra-varman and Āditya were identical, then this contest would be pushed back to 944-5, an impossible date.

relation in which Vikramakësari stood to Parantaka

^{* 129} of 1907; Pd. 14 (Text)

^{† 273} of 1903, ARE. 1908 II, 90.

[‡] SII. iii 113; Krishna Sastri ascribes this record to Gandaraditya on the ground that Vikramakësari is palaeographically earlier than the time of Aditya II to which Venkayya ascribed him. I think Venkayya was right. Arguments from palaeography can be hardly conclusive when the difference in time is so little as that between Gandaraditya and Aditya II. See JOR. vii. pp. 1 ff.

Sundara Cōla; the other, from Lālgudi, * states that Nangai Varaguṇa Perumānār was the sister of the Cōla king. Again, Vikramakēsari called his two sons by Karrali by the names of Parāntaka and Ādityavarmā, apparently after his Cōla sovereign and his son. Lastly, as has been mentioned before, Parāntakan Śiriyavēlār of Kodumbālūr was one of the leaders of the Cōla army in its southern expedition. When taken together, these facts suggest that the close terms of friendship and loyalty that subsisted between the chieftains of Kodumbālūr and the Cōlas under Parāntaka I continued under his successors also, and that Vikramakēsari † assisted Sundara Cōla and his son in subduing the rebellious Vīra Pāṇḍya.

The other achievements of Vikramakēsari are not so easily explained as his war with Vīra Pāṇḍya. Even if we ignore the minor success against Vañcivēļ, it is not easy to see how Vikramakēsari could have fought with

*K. V. Subramania Aiyar who edits this record (EI. xx p. 53) assigns it to Aditya 1 (ibid pp. 47-8) and says that its date corresponds to A. D. 883-4. He grants the identity of Varaguna with the queen of Parantaka llangovelar aliar Tennavan llangovelar, whom he also identifies with Vikramakesari; but does not deal with the problems raised by the Vikramakesari record from Kodumbalur.

† A record of the sixth year of Parakēsari (337 of 1904) from Kudumiyāmalai mentions a Varaguṇa-nāṭṭi-pērumānār, queen of Sembiyan Irukkuvēṭār; from this, the conclusion has been drawn that this was another name of Vikramakēsari (ARE. 1908 II, 90). But the Varaguṇa-nāṭṭi mentioned in this record was the daughter of a Muttaraiyar chief (Pd. 45 Text) and different from the Cōṭa princers mentioned above. Hence Sembiyan Irukkuvēļ cannot be the same as Parāntaka langōvēṭār, if our view that the latter married the Cōṭa princess is correct.

The suggestion may be made that the Muttaraiya lady was the queen of Vikramakësari and that Paräntaka llangövelär, the husband of the Cöla princess, was the elder son of Vikramakësari. In this case, the 6th year of Parakësari (337 of 1904) must be the 6th year of Paräntaka I, which would fall nearly 52 years before the wars with Vîra Pändya in which Vikramakësari took part. It seems better to treat Sembiyan Irukkuvël and his Muttaraiya wife Varaguna as persons not represented in the genealogy of the Kodumbalur record. There are other names of Irukkuvëls, like Madhurantaka Irukkuvël and Mahimalaya Irukkuvël in the Puduköttah inscriptions for which there is no room in the Kodumbaluz genealogy. Possibly Madhurantaka Irukkuvël of Nos. 335 and 336 of 1904 (Pd. 63 and 65), also called Adittan (Accan) Vikramakësari, was a contemporary of Aditya I and his son Parantaka I.

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the Pallavas on the banks of the Kāvēri. This by itself might justify a much earlier age for the Kodumbāļūr inscription of Vikramakēsari; but as on palaeographical considerations no earlier date than that of Gāṇḍarāditya can be assigned for this record, * the suggestion may be made that by the Pallava in this context we must understand Vallabha, and explain the fight in which Vikramakēsari took part with such distinction as having occurred on the occasion of Rāṣṭrakūṭa Kṛṣṇa's raid into the Cōla country which is said to have taken him as far as Rāmēśvaram.

The reign of Sundara Cola then marked the recovery of the Colas from the disasters of the Raştrakūta invasion. For all the fighting in the south, however, the Pandyas and their allies of Ceylon held

their own, and it is not till the reign of Rājarāja I that Cōļa inscriptions begin again to appear in the Pāṇḍya comitry. In fact Rājarāja claims to have subdued the Pāṇḍyas when they were still powerful and illustrious, implying thereby that in spite of their exertions, his father and his elder brother Āditya had not made much

headway against them. The inscriptions of Āditya, Pārthivēndra, and of Sundara himself show on the other hand that remarkable success attended the Cōla efforts in the north. As Kṛṣṇa's inscriptions get fewer in the districts of South Arcot, North Arcot and Chingleput, records of these others become more numerous; but we have no knowledge of the stages by which this change came about. That Sundara Cōla took an active share in directing affairs in the north may be inferred from the fact that he died in his golden palace at

^{*} See ante p. 187 n 1

Kāncīpuram and was thereafter known as Pon-māļigaittunjina dēva. * One of his queens, Vānavanmahādēvi, a princess of the line of Malaiyamāns, performed sati at the king's death, † and her image was perhaps installed in the Tanjore temple by Kundavai, her daughter. ‡ Sundara left behind him the reputation of a second Manu born to wean the world from ways of evil § (Kali). Another queen of Sundara Cōļa, a Cēra princess, survived him till the sixteenth year of his son Rājarāja's reign, A.D. 1001. ¶

In Sundara Cōla's reign literature, both Sanskrit and Tamil, received encouragement; not only does the earliest Cōla copperplate grant known so far date from his time, but a highly poetic eulogium of his reign, in the commentary of the Vīrašōliyam, bears witness to his patronage of letters. If This eulogy, which calls Sundara Cōla the king of Nandipura, is addressed to the Buddha to secure the strength and prosperity of the king, and furnishes evidence of the prevalence of friendly relations between the Cōla monarchs and the southern Buddhist Sangha several years before the date of the larger Leyden grant which records the gift of a village to a foreign Buddhist monastery at Negapatam.

Sundara Cola's last days appear to have been clouded by a domestic tragedy. An inscription from Udaiyargudi dated in the second year of Rajakesari **

records the measures taken by the Sabhā of Śrī

[•] See SII. iii p. 288 and n. 5.

[†] Tiruvālangādu plates vv. 65-66; also 236 of 1902 (Rājarāja 1 27).

[‡] SII. ii p. 73. § Tiruvālangādu v. 57. ¶ 159 of 1895, ll. 127-32.

pp. 102-3, Lappu v. 11. ** 577 of 1920.

ADITYA II

Vīranārāyana - caturvēdimangalam under orders from the king for the confiscation and sale of the properties of some persons who were liable for treason as they had murdered "Karikāla Cola who took the head of the Pāṇdya." This record clearly shows that Āditya II fell a victim to assassination. The only possible kings to whom this Rājakēsari record can be assigned are Sundara Cola himself, and Aditya's younger brother, Rajaraja, who succeeded Uttama Cola, a Parakesari. But the early regnal year rules out Sundara Cola, as we cannot suppose that Aditya, whose inscriptions range at least up to the fifth year, began to reign before his father. Therefore the inscription is doubtless a record of Rajaraja's reign. If this inference is accepted,—the palaeography and the astronomical data of the record support this view-then it follows that the murder of Aditya II remained unavenged throughout the sixteen years in which Uttama Cola ruled, Sundara Cola himself having either died of a broken heart soon after the mnrder or after having found the

natural course of justice obstructed by a powerful conspiracy. It seems impossible under the circumstances to acquit Uttama Cola of a part in the conspiracy that resulted in the foul murder of the heir apparent. Uttama coveted the throne and was not satisfied with the subordinate role assigned to princes of the blood in the administration of the kingdom; as representing a senior branch of the royal family, he perhaps convinced himself that the throne was his by right, and that his cousin and his children were usurpers. He formed a party of his own, and brought about the murder of Aditya II, and having done

so, he forced the hands of Sundara Cola to make him heir apparent, and as there was no help for it, Sundara had to acquiesce in what he could not avert. The

Tiruvālangādu plates seem to gloss over the story on purpose, and make statements which, though enigmatic in themselves, are fairly suggestive of the true course of events, when read together with the datum furnished by the Udaiyārgudi inscription. The plates say:

"Aditya disappeared owing to his desire to see heaven. * Though his subjects, with a view to dispel the blinding darkness caused by the powerful Kali (Sin), entreated Arumolivarmā, he, versed in the *dharma* of the *Kṣattra*, did not desire the kingdom for himself even inwardly as long as his paternal uncle coveted his own (i.e., Arumolivarmā's) country."

The sun of Āditya had set; the darkness of sin prevailed; the people wanted Arumoli to dispel it; but Uttama's cupidity triumphed, because of Arumoli's restraint. Arumoli was not a coward; nor was he lacking in political ability or legal right. Anxious to avoid a civil war, he accepted a compromise, and agreed to wait for his turn until after Uttama's desire to be king had found satisfaction; it was apparently part of the compromise that Uttama was to be succeeded not by his children, but by Arumoli, and in the words, again, of the Tirnvālangādu plates: †

"Having noticed by the marks (on his body) that Arumoli was the very Viṣṇu, protector of the three worlds, descended (on earth), Madhurāntaka installed him in the position of yuvarāja, and (himself) bore the burden of (ruling) the earth."

* vv. 68-9. The expression employed literally means 'set' (astam gatavān) — a play on his name Āditya; a hint of his premature death may be seen in 'his desire to see heaven.'

† The suggestion has been made that verse 69 of the Tiruvālangādu plates "is rather stating in an indirect way that as Uttama was reigning, Rājarāja did not wish to rebel against authority." (OfMS. xvii p. 196). If such was the real meaning of the composer, his language has indeed concealed his thought most successfully. I am, however, unable to accept this view (1) because it gives a higher value to Uttama Cōla's claims to succession than they merit—for why did his son not succeed him? and why did he make Arumoli yurarāja in his own reign if not at his accession? and (2) because it ignores the important evidence of the Udaiyārgudi inscription of Rājakēsari.

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We find accordingly Madhurāntakan Gaṇḍarādittan, who must have been a son of Madhurāntaka Uttama Cōļa, occupying high office under Rājarāja when he came to power and loyally assisting him in the administration of the country.* If this reading of the story of Uttama Cōḷa's accession is correct, Uttama Cōḷa furnishes an instance, by no means unique in history, of selfish and perverse offspring born of parents distinguished for piety and right-mindedness; and his rash and bloody self-seeking stands out in striking contrast to the true nobility and statesmanship of the future Rājarāja.

The inscriptions of Aditya Parakesari (who took the head of Vīra Pāndya) and of Pārthi-Accession of vendra-varman show that, by the time Uttama. of the accession of Uttama Cola, the Colas had recovered much in the north that had been lost on account of the Rāstrakūta invasion. These inscriptions are found in Uttaramerur, Kancipuram, Takkolam and Tiruvannāmalai, and furnish clear evidence of the renewed Cola occupation of the districts of South Arcot, North Arcot and Chingleput, and considering that the bulk of these inscriptions relate to normal transactions like endowments, sales and irrigation works, we may conclude that general peace had been restored, and that the effects of the wars were fast fading out of memory.

Of the reign of Uttama Cola we have many stone records and one set of copper-plates. The beginning

^{*} Contra K. V. S. Aiyar—Ancient Dekhan p 243. The difficulties regarding the ages of Uttama Cola and his son pointed out by Aiyar are not so serious as he makes them out. We may suppose that Gandaraditya died A.D. 957 and that then Uttama was 12; he came to the throne when he was, say, 24 in 969, and then had a son aged three; this son would be about 23 in 989 when he is first mentioned in the inscriptions of Rajaraja's reign. The omission of his name from the Leyden and Tiruvalangadu plates is only to be expected in the conditions of the case.

of the latter, which probably contained a genealogical account of the dynasty in Sanskrit verse, unfortunately lost; only the concluding prose portion mentioning the object of the grant survives. In some of the stone inscriptions and in the copper-plate grant, the king is clearly described as Parakësari Uttama Cola; but a number of other stone inscriptions bearing only the Parakësari title can be assigned to his reign either on astronomical grounds, or because they mention the relatives of the king like his mother or one of his queens, or lastly, because they mention officials in his service. It should be ob-The earliest Cola served also that the earliest Cola coin of coin. which we have any knowledge belongs to his reign; it is a gold piece, a unique specimen once in the possession of Sir Walter Elliot and figured by him from a faithful drawing, the coin itself having been lost; * its obverse and reverse are identical, the centre occupied by a seated tiger facing a fish to the proper right and separated from it by a line, the legend Uttama Colan in grantha characters along the circular margin and a ring of beads at the perimeter. Elliot estimated the weight of the coin at between 50 and 60 grains, and this conforms to the standard in the Deccan and Southern India before the time of

The Madras Museum plates of Uttama Cōla, though they add little to our knowledge of political history, are of very great interest to the study of the social life and the administrative methods of the Cōla kingdom in

Rājarāja, †

^{*} Elliot CS I. p. 132, No. 151 p. 152 G. ARE. 1904. I 20, Nos. 152 4 are, no doubt, coins of Rajendra I.

[†] Codrington-Ceylon Coins p. 74.

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Uttama Cola's time; they form moreover beautiful specimens of the palaeography of the period. * Even the stone inscriptions of the reign contain little information on political transactions. Some inscriptions recently discovered in the Trichinopoly district, †

* See S.II. iii No. 128. After this fine edition of the plates by Krishna Sastri, we might well have been spared the belated publication with negativo plates in 1925 (IA. Vol. 54 pp. 61 ff) of a paper contributed by T. A. Gopinatha Rao and another in 1911. This paper begins with the wild statement that the seal of these plates "belongs to the Pāṇḍya king Jaṭilavarman, one of whose documents is also found in the Museum". I examined the seal and found it true to the fac-simile in EI. iii. plate p. 104, No. 3, which again very closely resembles the seal of the Tiruvālangāḍu plates of Rājēndra (plate opp. p. 413 in SII. iii).

Krishna Sastri holds that the Parakesarivarman, a record (silalekhai) of whose 22nd year is quoted in ll. 28-29, was Vijayalaya (SII. in p. 267 and n. 2), and that " the statement in our grant that a stone inscription of his 22nd year did provide for permanent income to a temple at Kaccippedu is proof enough to show that though he was the first of the new line, Vijayālaya had a peaceful, long and prosperous rule like any of his powerful successors." This view derives support from the express mention of "Maduraiyum Ilamum Konda Parakëseri" in l. 96, which might naturally lead to the supposition that the Parakesari of Il. 28-29 must be a different king. There is, however, another mention of Parakesari (year 16) in ll. 72-3, which Krishna Sastri takes to be a reference to Uttama Cola himself; but it is possible to hold that ll. 72-98 record one continuous transaction by which, in the 18th year of Parantaka I, the Nagarattar of Kaccippedu regulated the expenditure to be met from endowments made in the sixteenth year of Parakesari (note in particular engu ipparisu in 1, 96). If this view is accepted, the Parakesari of 1. 72 would be not Uttama, but Parantaka I, and the same may be true of 11. 28-9. In any event, there are difficulties in the way of accepting Krishna Sastri's views on the extent of Vijayalaya's power, and another solution seems called for. It is inconceivable that before the date of the battle of Sri Purambiyam, when Pallava power was still unbroken, Vijayālaya could have ruled an extensive territory independently, and what is more, engraved stone inscriptions in the capital of the Pallavas. (See p. 131 ante and n. 1) Again, Uttama Cola is mentioned by name with the Parakesari title in 1. 12; we have only the Parakesari title in 1. 72. By assigning the latter to Uttama Cola, K. Sastri grants that the same king may be mentioned in two different ways in the same record. If that is so, it is easier to assume that Parakësari of 11. 28-9 and 72 is the same as Maduraiyum lanunm konda Parakësari of 1. 96, than to equate one of them with Vijayalaya and the other with Uttama. I wish also to add that Karikala-terri might have got its name as much by association with Aditya II Karikala as after "the ancient Cola king Karikala." (Krishna Sastri ibid, p. 268).

^{+ 165-7} of 1929.

dated in the twelfth year of Parakesari, introduce to us a high official of Uttama Cola's government by name Ambalavan Paluvūr-nakkan of Kuvaļālam (Kolār). He was an officer of perundaram rank who built of stone the old shrine of Vijayamangalam celebrated by Tirunāvukkaraśu as a temple in Gövandaputtūr on the banks of the Coleroon, * commemorating Arjuna's (Vijaya's) penance for obtaining the favour of Siva; † and on this officer, Uttama Cola conferred the title Vikramasolamarayar, ‡ from which we may conclude that Uttama had also the title Vikrama. The same officer continued in Rajaraja's service later; in the records of Rajaraja's reign he has the title Mummudisala prefixed to his personal name, and also bears the alternative title Rajaraja Pallavaraiyan. § No other evidence exists to show that Uttama Cola's suzerainty extended as far as Kölär in Mysore, and all the inscriptions mentioning this official come from one place, and that in the Trichinopoly district. It must be assumed, therefore, that for some reasons unknown to us, this person migrated from Kölär into the Cöla dominions and rose to a high position in the royal service.

The inscriptions give the names of several queens of Uttama Cōļa, of whom five are mentioned together in one inscription. ¶ The chief place was held throughout the reign by Oraṭṭaṇan (Uraṭṭāyan) Sorabbaiyār, a Kanarese namc (?), who is called agramahādēviyār and mūttanambirāṭṭiyār in the fifth and the fifteenth years of the reign; # she had also the title of Tribhuvana-mahādēviyār.

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* v. 3 of his Divaram on Tiruvisayamangai. + v. 8 ibid.
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^{‡ 164} of 1929—ARE. 1929 Il 29. § 168, 184 of 1929.

^{¶ 494} of 1925 (Yr. 12), | 165, 488 of 1925.

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significant of her rank as chief queen. The queens of Uttama Cola are almost all of them found making endowments in a village in the Tanjore district which bore the name of their mother-in-law, Sembiyan-mahādēvi—proof of the high regard in which the pious widow of Gaṇḍarāditya was held by the members

of her family. One son of Uttama Cola is known, * Madhurantakan Gandaraditya, who held high office under Rajaraja, as has been mentioned already.

A record of the fifth year of Rājakēsari † mentions a Pāṇḍya princess, ‡ with the name Puliccayan Śāmi Abbai, as the spouse of Vikramaśūļa Malāḍuḍaiyār. This Malāḍa chieftain, a feudatory of the Cōļas, in the hilly tracts of South Arcot, might have got the title from Uttama Cōļa, who was also known as Vikrama; if this view is correct, the inscription is certainly one of Rājarāja I.

^{*} SII. iii No. 49. ARE. 1904 (paragraph 20); ante p. 193 n. *

^{† 7} of 1905.

[‡] The name of the Pandyan princess seems to imply a Kanarese origin for her, though we cannot be sure of this.

CHAPTER IX

RĀJARĀJA THE GREAT (A.D. 985-1014).

Rājakēsari Arumolivarman, as he was known in the early years of his reign, came to the throne, after a long apprenticeship as yuvarāja, on some day in the month following the 25th June, 985 A.D.* He was the son of Parāntaka II Sundara Cōla by Vānavan-mahādēvi, and the joyous occasion of his birth is described in particular detail in the Tiruvālangādu plates. † The star of his nativity was Satabhiṣaj, as we learn from the inscriptions recording endowments for offerings in temples on his birth-days.

lith the accession of Rajaraja we enter upon a century of grandeur and glory for the A great epoch. dynasty of the Colas. Quite obviously, the personal ability of the first Rajaraja, in some respects the greatest of all the great Cola rulers of the Vijayālaya line, laid the foundation for the splendid achievements of his son and successor Rajendra I, under whom the empire attained its greatest extent and carried its arms beyond the seas. The thirty years of Rajaraja's rule constitute the formative period in the history of the Cola monarchy. In the organisation of the civil service and the army, in art and architecture, in religion and literature, we see at work powerful forces newly liberated by the progressive imperialism of the time. A relatively small state at his accession, that had hardly recovered from the disasters of the Rāstrakūta invasion, the Cola kingdom had, by the end of Rajaraja's rule, grown to be an extensive and wellknit empire efficiently organised and administered, rich

^{*} El. ix p. 217.

in resources, possessed of a powerful standing army, well-tried and equal to the greatest enterprises. More wonderful than the work of this great monarch must have been his personality. But of him we have no authentic description; no eyewitness has rendered to Rājarāja the service which Nuniz and Paes did to Kṛṣṇa Dēva Rāya. There is not even a well-attested statue, or painting of this king * that has come down to us. All that we know of his reign, however, and that is not little, attests his potent personality and the firm grasp of his intellect which allowed nothing to escape its vigilance and applied itself with as much vigour to the minutest details as to the sublimest ambitions of statecraft. The affection he lavished on his sister Kundavai, after whom he named one of his daughters, † and the privileged position accorded to his grand-aunt, Sembiyan-mahādēvi, the mother of Uttama Cola, indicate that he was a great and good man as well as a far-sighted ruler.

(Very early in his reign ‡ Rājarāja assumed the title Mummadi Cōļa-dēva, a term whose meaning is not clear. § Almost the first military achievement of lis reign was the campaign in the Kēraļa War.

Kēraļa country of which the result was summed up in the phrase 'Kāndaļūr-śālaik-kalamarutta', which precedes the name of the king in several of his

^{* 1} am inclined to agree with T. G. Aravamuthan, who rejects the Tanjore bronze cometimes taken to be Rūjarūja as late and spurious. See his Portrait Sculpture in South India p. 36 and fig. 11. Contra ARE. 1925 ll 12. I have examined the paintings round the garbha-giha of the Tanjore temple; it seems possible that a stalwart royal figure which recurs in many of those groups as the central figure is that of Rūjarūja himself and that the paintings are as old as the temple. Their existence was discovered by Mr. S. K. Govindasami. A sculptured representation of a king (and queen) at Tiruvišalūr may be of this king.

^{† 633} of 1902. ‡ 453 of 1908 (yr. 3).

[§] See SII. ii. Intr. p. 3 and n. 6. The best explanation seems to be: 'the thrice (powerful) Cola.'

inscriptions from the fourth year * onwards. Though this title appears from the fourth year, no inscription of Rājarāja has been found in the Kēraļa and Pānḍya countries bearing a date earlier than the eighth year. † Some years of fighting were apparently necessary before the conquest could be completed and the conquered country become sufficiently settled for its administration being properly organised. The Tiruvālangādu plates giving a detailed account of the

War against Pāndya. king's dignijaya state that he began with the conquest of the southern direction.‡
This account mentions the capture of

the Pandya king Amarabhujanga, and then states:)

- "The commandant (dandanātha) of this ornament of the solar race then conquered Vilinda which had the soa for its moat,
- * 395 of 1922 is the earliest record so far known mentioning this achievement and dated in the 24th day of the fourth year. It is no longer true therefore to say that "until the 8th year of his reign, A. D. 994, he did not undertake any expedition" (SII. ii Introd. p 2). What Rajaraja's achievement at Kandajur exactly was has been the subject of much discussion. Though salai and kalam mean respectively 'a feeding house' and '(eating) plate', these meanings seem hardly satisfactory in the present instance (Contra TAS, ii 2 5). On the other hand sālai in the sense of 'roadstead' is not known in any other context. But, after all, sālai may only be part of the name of the place; or it may have the ordinary meaning of a road. In any case, no other meaning seems more likely than the one usually adopted for the whole phrase viz., 'who destroyed the fleet in the roadstead of Kandalur,' The alternative suggestions that the 'scale of feeding in the feeding-house of Kandajur was regulated by the king' (S. Desivinayagam Pillai - Kerala Society Papers, Series 2 pp. 100 ff.) necessitates a far-fetched explanation of the need for the use of force in the transaction, and fails to explain why such a thing had to be done over again, for instance, by Rājādhirāja. D. Pillar's objection that the destruction of a fleet would not be described as an act of grace aruli as this is done in the usual introduction, 'tirumagal pola' etc., of Rajaraja, is easily met; Rajadhiraja caused the Pandya Vira Kerala to be trampled by an elephant, and this is described as an act of grace kadakkalirran-udaippittaruli. Perhaps, aruttu does not mean 'destroyed', but simply 'overcame,' cf. Kalingattup-parani (verse 370) saying that Vihinam was destroyed and salai captured. It must be admitted, however, that the earliest mention of Kandajur (TAS, i p. 6, 1, 6) does support D. Pillai's interpretation, Gopinatha Rao had correctly identified Kandalur with a part of Trivandrum now called Valiya Salai. Salai is sometimes sanskritised as joula, (TAS, ii. p. 4).

[†] The Darsanankoppu record (TAS. i p. 238) seems to be the garliest so far known.

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whose extensive ramparts were shining aloft, which was impregnable to other warriors and which was the permanent abode of the goddess of victory."

We have often found before that the three southern kingdoms of Pāṇḍya, Kēraļa and Simhaļa were allied against the Cōļa; this alliance was still effective in the time of Rājarāja, and it would seem that Rājarāja's southern campaign was directed against the Pāṇḍya and the Cēra together. The Cēra king at this time was Bhāskara Ravi Varman Tiruvaḍi (A. D. 978-1036), whose inscriptions have been recovered from different parts of Travancore.

The Pallavas and Pandyas followed the injunetions of the Dharmasastras, and in their copper-plate grants, they caused Cola prasastis. a brief history of their ancestors to be engraved before recording the occasion for and the details relating to the particular gift. But Rajararja was the first Tamil king who conceived the idea of formulating in set phrases an official record of the chief events of his reign which was to serve as an introduction to his stone inscriptions. In this he was followed by almost every one of his successors on the Cola throne, and we shall see that the prasasti of his son Rājēndra I, which is rather brief in the early regnal years, grows in length as the reign advances and descriptions of fresh events are added on to it as they take place; these official 'historical introductions'

in the Cola inscriptions are, in fact, an important aid to the discovery of the particular king to whose reign any given record belongs. Sometimes the same king used two or more forms of such introductions, and Rajaraja I

^{*} TAS. if pp. 31-2. It must be noted that the period of this king's rule has been fixed on the evidence of a single record, the Tirunelli plates.

seems himself to have employed at least three forms, of which the one beginning 'tirumagal-pōla' was the most common from the eighth year onwards. * In this introduction the only reference to the first campaign of the reign seems to be the phrase employed about Kāndaļūr Śālai already quoted. A second form of the introduction † also places the victory at Śālai first among the achievements of the reign. Yet another, dated in the twentieth year, ‡ mentions that Rājarāja "destroyed the town of Madurai, conquered the haughty kings of Kollam, Kolla-dēśam and Kodungōļūr and that the kings of the sea waited on him."

One question suggests itself naturally in relation to this southern campaign of Rajaraja. The Southern Did he conquer Madura and the Pandya campaign. country first and march into Kērala by the southern passes that led into it from the Tinnevelly district, or was the line of his march the other way round? [The Tiruvalangadu plates and the last of the introductions cited above seem to suggest that the capture of Madura and the subjugation of the Pāṇdya king Amarabhujanga preceded the advance on the strong fortress of Vilinam and on Salai. & But the bare mention of Kandalur Salai in the earlier records of the reign and in the opening lines of the 'tirumagalpola' introduction, and the provenance of Rajaraja's inscriptions which appear in South Travancore about two years earlier than in the Tinnevelly and Ramnad districts point to the other alternative. It is possible

^{* 261} of 1910. Only a few records before the thirteenth year contain any introduction.

^{† 67} of 1923 (Year 14). ‡ 394 of 1911 ARE. 1912 II 22.

^{§ &}quot;Perhaps Kāndaļūr or Kāndaļūr Sālai was near Vilinam. ... Kāndaļūr Sālai which is said to belong to the Cēra king in later inscriptions was probably held by the Pāndyas when it was attacked by Rājarāja." Venkayya, SII, ii, Intr. p. 2.

[¶] Darsananköppu (Yr. 8), Sucindram (Yr. 10), Vijayanarayanam (Yr. 10).

that the Tiruvālangādu plates and the later inscriptions of Rājarāja mixed up facts relating to several distinct campaigns against the southern country. For it is clear that Rājarāja sent more than one expedition against the Pāṇḍya and his ally the Cēra. One seems to have been directed specially against Kollam. The campaign in which Rājarāja claims, in his Tanjore inscriptions, * to have

Kollam. The campaign in which Rājarāja claims, in his Tanjore inscriptions, * to have conquered the Cēra and the Pāṇḍyas in the Malai-nāḍu (Mountain country) was quite obviously different from and later than that in which Kāndaļūr and Viliūam were attacked.

The chief event of this expedition which took place sometime before the year 1008 A. D. † was apparently the storming and capture of the strong fortress of Udagai. ‡ Malai-nāḍu or Kuḍa-malai-nāḍu, the western hill-country, may be identified with Coorg, § and the fortress of Udagai must be looked for in the Western Ghats in that region, or perhaps a little to the south. Inscriptions of the fourteenth and sixteenth years, ¶

though they mention the occupation of Kuḍa-malai-nāḍu, do not yet record the attack on Udagai. The statement made in the inscriptions that Rājarāja deprived the Pāṇḍyas of their splendour when Udagai was still flourishing || in all its glory seems to indicate that the capture of this fortress was not effected in the first war. The Kalingattup-paraṇi ** in its notice of this king's reign mentions

^{*} SII. ii 1 paragraphs 34, 51 etc. It is these campaigns to which the Tiruvālangādu plates refer in v. 83 as the conquest of Parašurāma's country. Contra Venkayya SII. ii, Intr. p. 4.

[§] See Adiyārkkunallār on Šil. xi l. 53. Kielhorn calls it Malabar. El. vii-List No. 704. See also EC, iii TN. 122.

[¶] SII. iii 19, 51.

^{||} End of the tirumaga! introduction.

^{**} viii v. 24

only the conquest of Udagai besides the foundation by him of the Sadaiyam festival in the Cēra country. In all his three ulūs, the poet Oṭṭakkūttan says that Rājarāja's great achievement was the crossing of the 'eighteen forests' for the sake of his ambassador and setting fire to Udagai. We are unable to explain this satisfactorily; apparently the immediate cause of the march against Udagai was an insult offered to the king's ambassador.

The Cola general who most distinguished himself in the campaigns in the West was perhaps no other than the crown prince Rajendra. * He was afterwards made

Mahādandanāyaka of the Vēngī and Ganga-mandalas. He had also the title Pancavanmārāya. This "tusker of Mummudi-Cola," as he is called, 'seized the Tuluva and Konkana, held Maleya (Malabar), and pushed aside the Cēra,' as well as the Telunga and the Rattiga. † As chief military officer in the Ganga-mandala, he carried out the royal order conferring on Manija the village of Malavvi (Coorg) and the title Kşatriyaśikhāmaņi-kongāļva in recognition of his heroism in the battle of Panasoge. We do not know the occasion of this battle; perhaps it was fought against the Cangāļvas, a petty local dynasty. In any case, this was the beginning of the line of Kongālvas who ruled a small kingdom for about a century as the subordinates of the Colas to whom they owed their existence, and then disappeared with the expulsion of the Colas from these regions after the rise of the Hoysalas. I

^{*} EC. iii Sr. 125.

[†] No. 5 of 1895 (Yr 28), EC. iii Sr. 140; also i. Cg. 46 and pp. 12-13.

[†] A record from Kaleyür (353 of 1901) dated Saka 929 mentions that a Cola general Aprameya defeated some Hoysala leaders. But Kielhorn considers this date 'of no value for historical purposes' EI. iv pp. 67-8. Contra Rice, Mysore and Coorg pp. 86, 144-5.

(Ilam (Ceylon) is included among the conquests of Rajaraja from the first in the tirumagal introduction, * (993 A.D.). The king is said to have taken the Ilamandalam owned by the fierce Singalas and famed in all the eight directions. † In his twenty-ninth year (1014 A.D.) Rajaraja made a grant of several villages in Ceylon for various purposes to the celebrated temple he had erected at Tanjore.) ‡ The Tiruvalangadu plates contain the following picturesque account of the invasion of Ceylon: §

"Rāma built, with the aid of the monkeys, a causeway across the sea and then slew with great difficulty the king of Lankā by means of sharp-edged arrows. But Rāma was excelled by this (king) whose powerful army crossed the ocean by ships and burnt up the king of Lankā."

(This naval expedition of Rajaraja against Ceylon must have taken place in the reign of Mahinda V who came to the throne A.D. 981 and was still ruling Ceylon at the time when the island was invaded by Rajaraja's son and successor Rājēndra I. But the Mahāvamsa makes no mention of Rajaraja's invasion, apparently because the annals of Mahinda's reign became confused after the tenth year (991 A.D.) on account of the military revolution which led to the ascendancy of Kēraļa and Kannāta mercenaries in a large part of his kingdom. ¶ As a result of the military rising, Mahinda had to take refuge in the inaccessible hill country in the south-east of Ceylon called Rohana. then found his opportunity and made himself master of Northern Ceylon which became a province (mandalam) under the name of Mummudi-sola-mandalam. **

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⁺ SII iii 4, 15.

[‡] SII. ii 92 paragraphs 12-15.

[§] v. 80.

[¶] CV. Ch. lv, v. 4-12.

^{**} SII. ii 92 paragraph 12.

The Cola invasion had one permanent result.

Anuradhapura, the capital of Ceylon for over 1000 years, was finally destroyed by the armies of Rajaraja. Polonna-

ruwa, formerly a military outpost of the ancient capital as seen from its alternative name Kandavura Nuvara (the camp-city), now became the capital under the Colas. While the earlier Tamil invaders of Ceylon had aimed at the overlordship only of Rajarattha, the Colas were bent upon the mastery of the whole island. This decided the choice of their capital. There is practically no trace of Cola rule in Anuradhapura. Singalese sovereignty was restored under When Vijayabāhu I, he crowned himself at Anurādhapura, but continued to have Polonnaruwa for his capital, as it was more central and rendered easier the task of controlling the turbulent province of Röhana. * Polonnaruwa was renamed Jananātha-mangalam, † after another title assumed by Rajaraja about the middle of his reign. ‡ Rajaraja's inscriptions have been found in Ceylon. § It is probable that Rajaraja signalised the

Cola Temples in Ceylon.

Cola occupation of Ceylon by the construction of a stone temple to Siva in Polonnaruwa. This 'beautiful

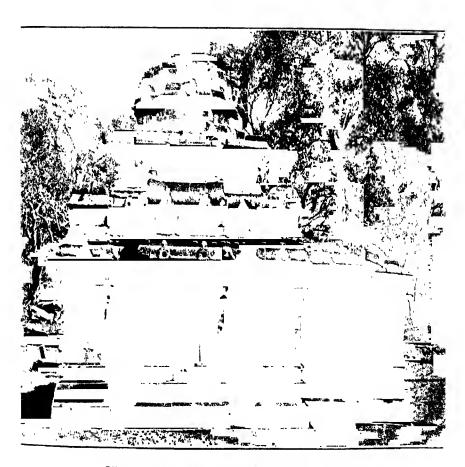
little' Siva Dēvāle, 'constructed of granite and limestone' which 'stands within the walled confines of the old city' of Polonnaruwa, is among the few Hindu monuments of Ceylon, which are still in a good state of preservation; and "its architectural form seems at once to class it with the Hindu fanes of South India erected from the tenth to the twelfth centuries, of which the

^{*} Ceylon Journal of Science-G. II, 2 pp. 145-7.

[†] ASC. 1906 p. 27.

^{1 132} of 1910 (Year 17).

[§] ASC. 1891 p. 12 Nos. 78-80. The record from Padaviya dated in the 27th year cited at SII. ii. Intr. p. 5 must be among these.



SIVA DEVALE NO. 2, POLONNARUWA-SOUTH FACE

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great temple of Tanjore is the finest and most elaborate exponent." * The earliest inscription found in this temple is dated early in Rājēndra I's reign. An officer from the Cōla country by name Tāli Kumaran built another temple called Rājarājēśvara at Mahātittha (Mantota) which was also named Rājarājapura, and richly endowed the new temple. †

Turning now to Rājarāja's conquests in other directions, Gangapādi Nolumbapādi and Tadigaipādi sometimes called Tadigaivali, all of them in the Mysore country became parts of the Cōla kingdom in Rājarāja's time.) One of the variant forms of the introduction to the king's stone inscriptions implies that the conquest of the Mysore country immediately followed the victory at Śālai, and that it was undertaken before the expedition against the Eastern Cāļukyas into the Vēngī country. ‡ After his victory at Śālai, Rājarāja is here said to have gained successes at Tattapādi (Tadigaipādi?), Talaikkādu, Nolumbapādi and Pirudigangar-valanādu. This cam-

paign against the Nolambas and the Gangas, first mentioned in the eighth and ninth § years of the king's reign, would seem in reality to have advanced very far, if not actually ended by the sixth year (A.D. 991), as we find an inscription of Cola-nārāyaṇa, obviously a name of Rājarāja I, in the Mysore country dated in this year (Śaka 913). ¶ An official from Kōlār in the Gangarasāyira with a Ganga name made an endowment in

^{*} ASC. 1906 pp. 17 ff.

^{+ 616} of 1912 (SII. iv. 1412).

^{1 67} of 1923. ARE. 1923 II, 27.

^{§ 97} of 1921 (Yr. 9?). See SII, ii. Intr. p. 3 and n. 1. where a record of the 8th year from Tiruvadandai is said to mention these conquests; the reference is doubtless to 261 of 1910.

[¶] MAR. 1917, p. 42.

South Arcot in the seventh year of Rajakesari, perhaps Rājarāja I.* This conquest was no doubt facilitated by the fact that the Colas had never lost their hold on the Kongu country or, if they had done so, had very soon recovered it when they began to reassert themselves after the troubles consequent on the invasion of Kṛṣṇa III. Rājarāja does not claim to have conquered the Kongu area, and he was master of it early in his reign. Copper-plates † recording a gift of land in the fifth year of Rājakēsarivarman have been found at Tiruccengodu, and these may with tolerable certainty be assigned to Rajaraja I, if they do not belong to an earlier Rājakēsari like Parāntaka II. The conquest of Tadigaipādi was probably undertaken from the side of Kongu and as part of the campaign in Kufamalai-nādu. By the time of this war the Nolambas had long ceased to be an independent power and become subordinate to the Gangas. In the tenth century the name Nolambavadi still included ‡ not only the districts of Tumkur and Citaldurg, but much of the Bangalore, Kölär and Bellary districts and even parts of Salem and N. Arcot; this is sufficient proof of the place once held by the Nolambas in the politics of Southern India. Though they lost much of their power at the time of Rajaraja's invasion, they did not by any means die out altogether, and in Saka 920 Gannarasa, the son of Ayyapa, was ruling a portion of Daligapadi as a feudatory of Rajarāja. § A certain Nolambādhirāja was the general of the

^{* 127} of 1919. The official's name Gangan Ambalavanan Gandaraditta Sola Vilupparaiyan seems to imply that he rose to prominence in Uttama Cola's reign, if not earlier.

[†] SII. iii 213. No. 212 also of Rājakēsari and of the 10th year mentions Maļavaraiyan Sundarasölan as the donor. This name suggests the reign of Parāntaka II Sundara Cōļa, and if this is correct, the father of the donor must, like Širiyavēļār have met his fate in the Ceylonese expedition of that monarch's time. ARE. 1914 II, 15.

[‡] EI. x p. 57 and n. 3.

Cola monarch in his sixteenth year. * Either the same person or another, Nolambādhirāja Cörayya, is again mentioned as feudatory to the Cola in Saka 933. + These instances raise a suspicion that the Nolamba subordinates of the Gangas turned against their Ganga overlords and paid off old scores by taking the side of the Colas openly, or by assisting them in other ways. The Gangas then were the chief enemy against whom was directed the expedition into Mysore. This invasion, which started with an attack on Tadigaipadi and Talakkād after crossing the Kāvēri from the Kongu country, was a complete success, and made the Colas supreme in the entire Ganga country for a period of more than one century. The easy success was partly also the result of the disappearance of the Rāstrakūta power, which had taken place about 973 A. D., when Taila II Ahavamalla restored the ancient Calukya line to power. By this political revolution the Gangas andthe Nolambas lost their chief support, as there was nothing as yet to bind them to the newly risen Calukya power corresponding to the dynastic alliances and common enterprises that had brought them close to the

Rāṣṭrakūṭas. But the Western Cāļukyas were by no means indifferent to the advancing power of the Cōlas under Rājarāja, and in an inscription dated 992 A. D., Tailapa II claims to have gained a victory against the Cōla king. § In the present state of epigraphical knowledge it is not

^{*} EC. x Mb. 208.

[†] ibid. Ct. 118.

^{† &}quot;The present Kṛṣṇarājapet, Nāgamangala, Maṇdya, Seringapatam and Malavalli tālūkas of the Mysore district", Fleet, IA. xxx pp. 109-10.

^{3 36} of 1904; IA. v. p. 17. Attempts have been made to account for the hostility between the Western Calukyas and the Colas by the assumption that it was a continuation of the Pallava tradition by the Colas, that the Colas were of the Solar race while the Calukyas were of the Lunar, and that the former were Saivas while the latter were Vaisnavas and patronised Jainism (SII. ii Intr. p. 5 and n. 4.). Such efforts lead nowhere.

possible to give a complete account of the political relations among the Western Calukyas, the Western Gangas and the Nolambas at the time of the Cola invasion of Mysore.

Within a few years after 992, Tailapa II died and was succeeded by Satyāśraya on the Cāļukya throne. The later inscriptions of Rājarāja's reign state that be

fought a successful war against Satya-War against śraya and captured some of his treasure, Satyāśraya. part of which went to the enrichment of the great Tanjore temple. * The W. Calukyas were also hard pressed in the north by the hostility of the Paramāras of Mālwa and must have found it hard to sustain themselves against two powerful enemies attacking them from opposite directions. The inscriptions of Rājarāja from about 1003 A.D. + roundly assert that he captured by force Rattapadi, 'the seven and a half lakh country.' This is a violent exaggeration. (More trustworthy is the poetic statement in the Tiruvālangādu plates ‡ that Satyāśraya, though, true to his origin from Taila (oil), he fled from the battle-field in order to escape the misery of facing the ocean-like army of Rajaraja, still became himself the abode of misery (kastāśraya). An inscription of Satyāśraya from

Hoṭṭūr (Dharwar), dated Śaka 9(2)9
(1007 A.D.), states that the Nūrmaḍi
Cōḷa Rājēndra Vidyādhara, the son of
Rājarāja Nityavinōda and the ornament of the Cōḷakula, advanced as far as Dōnūr in the Bijapur district,
with an army of 900,000 troops, plundered the whole
country, killed women, children and Brahmins, caught

[•] SII. ii 1, paragraph 92. Judging by the relative value of the presents made to the temple at the conclusion of these campaigns, it would seem that the success in the Calukya war was nothing by the side of the victories gained elsewhere.

^{† 338} of 1927 (Year 18), ARE, 1927 ii 11. 97 of 1921 also mentions Rattapadi.

[‡] v. 81.

hold of girls and destroyed their caste. The same record proceeds further to say that Satyaśraya, the slayer of the Tamil' (Tigula-māri), thereupon forced the Cola to turn back, captured his paraphernalia (vastu-vāhana) and thus conquered the southern quarter. * Though the account of wholesale slaughter and rape must be discounted as proceeding from a hostile source, still this account given by the Calukya inscription of Rajendra's invasion of Rattapadi rings very true, and may be accepted as substantially correct. Though overwhelmed for a time by the strength and rapidity of the Cola onslaught, Satyaśraya soon recovered himself, and by hard fighting rolled back the tide of invasion. In Rattapadi proper there are no traces (as there are in Nulambapadi and Gangapadi) of the occupation of the country by the Colas. † The existence of an inscription of a feudatory of Ahavamalla Sattiga dated Saka 928 at Cebrolu ‡ in the Guntur district indicates that at this time Satyasraya may have commanded the resources also of the Eastern Cāļukya kingdom of Vēngī in his Cōļa war, and this was doubtless the cause of Rajaraja's invasion of Vengi which followed soon after.

The campaigns in the N.W. that have so far engaged our attention resulted in the Results of the Calukya war. annexation to the Cola empire of practically all the territory that had ever been held by the Gangas and the Nolambas in Mysore, and nearly the whole of the modern district of Bellary, § so that the Tungabhadra became the

^{*} El. xvi. p. 74.

⁺ See the next chapter for further particulars of this war or another which followed not long after.

^{# 145} of 1897; SII. vi. 102.

[§] ARE. 1904, para. 17. See, however, the next chapter on Rajendra's campaigns for proof that later in this reign part of this territory was regained by the Calukyas.

boundary between the two empires. No inscriptions of Rājarāja have been found in Bellary so far; but then there are no Cāļukya inscriptions of the period either. As a rule, Cōļa inscriptions are not found in the remote provinces of the empire in as great numbers as in areas nearer home, and we cannot on this account entertain doubts about the correctness of facts clearly attested by contemporary records. That Rājarāja had a Mahādāṇḍanāyaka for the Ganga and Vēngī maṇḍalas * towards the close of his reign is sufficient proof of the extent of his empire and of the contiguity of these two maṇḍalas.)

Rājarāja's intercession in Vēngī affairs was the direct and natural result of the political development of the early years of his reign, rather than of any diplomatic design to dissociate the Eastern Cāļukyas from their Western cousins. †

(If Rājarāja and his successors found it easier to spread their power along the east coast than across the

Contrasted with W. Calukya Kingdom. Tungabhadrā, this was partly due to the different conditions in which the Eastern and the Western Cāļukyas found themselves when the Colas

entered on their imperial career under Rājarāja. After more than three centuries of rule in Vēngī, the Eastern Cāļukyas had become an old and decrepit race, and their kingdom was falling a prey to disputed successions and anarchy. The coming of the Cōlas brought fresh blood into the family and became a source of strength to this declining dynasty which, sustained for nearly a century by the Cōlas in a position of respected though subordinate alliance, soon after, more than repaid the debt by contributing largely to

^{* 5} of 1895 (Yr. 28)-EC. iii Sr. 140

[†] Contra Dr. S. K. Aiyangar Gangai-Konda, pp. 541-2.

the continuance of the Cola empire under Kulottunga I and his successors, the Cola-Calukyas, as they are sometimes called. The Western Calukyas, on the other hand, had just emerged under Taila II, after centuries of subordination to the Rastrakutas, and the restored dynasty was in its full vigour. As the Cebrolu inscription of Satyasraya implies, they even made an attempt to unite the resources of the Eastern Calukyas to their own; but being subject to attacks from the Paramāras in the north and the Colas in the south. they failed to do more than just keep their hold over their ancestral territory, the Rattapadi seven and a half lakh country. They were on the whole less fortunate than their Cola contemporaries, and being compelled to wage many wars of defence, they found little time or inclination for aggression. Difficult as it may be to find a satisfactory scientific explanation for it, the fact remains, and it receives ample confirmation from the general course of history, that the chief dynasties throw up for a time a succession of very able rulers, that this succession occurs generally in the earlier part of the dynastic history, and that no dynasty flourishes for more than a limited number of generations. The relative importance of the Western and Eastern Cāļukyas and the Cōlas about 1000 A.D. forms one of the numerous illustrations of this general rule furnished by the course of Indian history.)

Under Parāntaka I the Cōla power extended in the north up to Nellore. The northern provinces were lost after the Rāṣṭra-kūṭa invasion and recovered in part ander the successors of Parāntaka I. The northern-most limit reached under them was in the neighbour-hood of Tiruvorriyūr, a few miles north of Madras.

Rājarāja who aimed at recapturing every province that had ever been held by Parantaka I and extend the empire still further, sent an expedition in the northern direction early in his reign! An inscription from Kāncīpuram, * dated in the 6th year of Rājakēsari and recording a royal gift of a large herd of sheep to a Durgā temple states that the sheep were got when Sītpuli-nādu and Pāki-nādu were conquered by Paraman Malapādiyār alias Mummadi-solan, the chief of Kāru-kudi in Tanjāvūr Kurram. The titles of the commander make it clear that the expedition was undertaken in Rajaraja's reign.) This interpretation of the record is confirmed by another inscription † dated in the eighth year of Rajaraja from Reddipalem (Gudur 'aluk) in the Nellore District which records a gift by Mummudi Vaitumba Mahārājan alias Durai Arasan, perhaps an official in the king's employ.

The actual occasion for Rajaraja's interference in the internal affairs of Vengi must have War with Vengi. occurred later than the expedition just mentioned. The presence of Satyāśraya for a time in the Vengi kingdom had, no doubt, something to do with it. There were, however, deeper causes accounting alike for the presence of Satyāśraya in Causes. Guntur and for the interest of Rajaraja in the affairs of Vengi. Despite the abundance of Eastern Cālukya copper-plates, some of them directly bearing on this period, the history of the dynasty is by no means settled, and its chronology presents many little problems which cannot be considered here. The troubles of the Eastern Calukyas appear to have begun sometime in the reign of Amma II (945-70 A.D.)

^{• 79} of 1921.

[†] V. Rangachari-Nellore 239. There is a village Cippili in the Madanar palli Taluk of the Chittoor district.

and they were started apparently by the intrigues of the ambitious Rastrakūta monarch Kṛṣṇa III with the younger branch of the Eastern Calukyas.) After the eleventh year of his reign, * Ammaraja is said to have fled to Kalinga from the anger of Krsna III, and this receives remarkable confirmation from the Arumbaka plates of Badapa + which state that, having made himself a suppliant of Kṛṣṇarāja, the Vallabha king. Badapa drove out of his kingdom the powerful king Ammarāja, fought against some of his relations, favoured his friends and ruled the Vengi kingdom with justice. These statements cannot be accepted literally, but when considered along with the information furnished by other sources, they provide an important link in the confused story of this period. We now possess this story in two rival versions youchsafed by the two branches of the Eastern Calukyas who were at war for a whole generation. The Pabhubarru plates of Saktivarman ‡ are particularly valuable as they record the events that ended this confused period and brought Saktivarman to the throne.

All the copper-plates of the elder branch after the time of Dānārṇava, including those of Saktivarman, the first king of this branch who came after Dānārṇava, declare that there was an interregnum § of twenty-seven years immediately after Dānārṇava. According to these plates, Ammarāja had some trouble from Kṛṣṇa about the eleventh year of his reign, but it was not serious; at

^{*} Mungallu plates-agamat Krena-kopāt Kalingam. ARE. 1917 II 24.

[†] EI. xix No. 24. The text (p. 142) has Karnarāja; K. V. Lakshmana Rao has satisfactorily explained this mistake as due to a wrong sanskritisation of Kanna.

I Journal of the Telugu Academy ii. pp. 399 ff.

[§] Ardjakam in Saktivarman's grant (1.35); andyikā in the Ranastapūndi grant (1.40) of Vimalāditya,

any rate Amma II repelled all the attempts made by his enemies against him, and after a rule of twenty-five years from his accession in 945 A. D., he was followed by his half-brother Danarnava (970-3 A. D.). After Danarpava came the interregnum of twenty-seven The Arumbaka plates of Badapa, without stating the duration of Amma II's reign, say that Badapa succeeded in expelling Amma II from the throne with the aid of Kṛṣṇa III and ruled the Vēngī kingdom after him. If this means that Badapa's rule began in Kṛṣṇa's life-time, the reign of Badapa must to some extent have overlapped the reigns of Amma II and Dānārņava. By and by, about 973 A.D., at the close of Danarnava's reign as implied by the later plates of the elder line, Badapa sneceeded in uniting the whole of the Vengi kingdom in his hands and forcing the senior line into exile. It is remarkable how the Śrī Pūndi plates of Tāla II 'reconstruct' the story of the interval between Tala I and Tala II

Usurpation
by the
younger branch.

manifestly with a view to showing that the younger line had the greater right to the Vēngī throne. * Whether Tāļaļ II ruled independently after his

elder brother Bādapa or not, † there can be no question that the plates of Bādapa and Tāļa II are to be properly assigned to the interregnum mentioned in the later plates of the elder line. The long feud between the two branches which began in 925 A. D. with the usurpation of Tāļa I reached a head in the reign of Amma II, and as a result the kingdom was divided for a time between the two branches till the princes of the elder line were driven out and completely

^{*} El. xix p. 149. From an inscription at Kancipuram (237, 238 of 1931) it would appear that the Eastern Ganga Kamanava declared himself in favour of the younger branch and fought against Danarnava, and fell in battle.

[†] ibid 151-2.

dispossessed of all power for about 27 years before 999 A.D.—a period which from the standpoint of the elder line formed truly an interregnum. The Ranasta-

pūṇḍi grant ascribes this to a bad stroke of fate. * Of the events that led up to Saktivarman's accession,

his Pabhubarru plates say:

"His youth shone like that of a lion when in the Tamil battle (dramilāhave) he attacked the formidable elephants (of the enemy). He performed a wonderful feat when with his own hands he killed the sharp and peerless hero sent (against him?) by Cōḍa Bhīma. † He dug up the wide-spread tree of Jaṭā-Cōḍa to its very roots—the tree which rose aloft in its boughs (with the division of its army), which had its base spreading on the top of a mountain (had its feet adorned by the crowns of the heads of kings) and which was strong within."

The Tiruvalangaqu plates seem to mention the same events in the verse: ‡

"As Rājarāja of my name and skilled in battle has been attacked by Bhīma with his army, so shall I attack the flawless Telugu (arandhram-undhram) Bhīma by name—(thinking) this wise, he (Rājarāja) attacked him with an army."

Here then is a campaign directed against a Telugu-Cōḍa king, Bhīma by name, in which both Rājarāja Cōḷa and Śaktivarman took part. An inscription § of Rājarāja from Kāñcīpuram, dated in Ś. 923 (1001-2 A.D.), gives many titles of Cōḷa Bhīma and records his capture by Rājarāja. The exact course of events is, however, by no means easy to determine. This is due

^{*} Daiva duscestayā (1, 39).

[†] There follows a stanza about Baddema Mahārāja which I am unable to translate as the verse is very corrupt. Jaṭā-Cōḍa is the legendary founder of the Telugu-Cōḍa race of rulers.

tv. 82. Krishna Sastri, by translating 'danda' into a 'club' or 'mace' and 'han' into 'kill,' has missed the obvious meaning of the verse.

^{§ 237, 238} of 1931; ARE. 1931, II 10.

to a number of reasons. First we have almost no records of the Telugu-Cōḍas of this period, as the inscriptions so far discovered relate only to other periods, earlier or later than the second part of the tenth century and the first of the eleventh. Again, we have no means at present of deciding who the Cōḷa monarch's namesake was whose cause was espoused by him in this expedition. Lastly, we cannot say whether this 'Tamil battle' against Bhīma was part of a plan for the restoration of Saktivarman to his ancestral throne, or was one of Rājarāja's campaigns of conquest, the one which, as we have seen, was directed against Pāki-nāḍu and Sīṭpuli-nāḍu, i. e., the Telugu-Cōḍa country. On the latter assumption, the facts relating to

the war against Bhīma will be valuable as proof that Saktivarman had sought refuge with the Cola king * and that,

early in his life, he was fighting in Rājarāja's campaigns in the hope of being able later to achieve, with his aid, the main object of his life, the recovery of the Vēngī kingdom. In any event, it is quite certain that Saktivarman owed much to the Cōla king's support, and possibly he consented to recognise the overlord-ship of Rājarāja in some form after becoming king of Vēngī. We know that the exact date of Vimalāditya's accession in Vēngī was 10th May, 1011 A.D. † and that

his predecessor and elder brother Saktivarman ruled for twelve years before him. This would give 999 A.D. as the date of Saktivarman's accession and the end of the interregnum. Saktivarman is called in his plates Cāļukya-

^{*} K. V. S. Aiyar says that Vimaladitya was in North Arcot in the second year of Rajaraja's reign (Ancient Dekhan p. 247). If it is true, it will go far to support the suggestion here made. But no authority is cited, and I am unable to trace any.

[†] El. vi p. 349.

nārāyaņa, a surname evidently modelled on that of Rājarāja, Cōļa-nārāyaṇa. Thus a study of the affairs

of the E. Calukya dynasty before By Rajaraja. Rājarāja began to interest himself in them makes it plain that, far from their being sought out by Rajaraja as valuable political allies, they owed their position to that great monarch. By the part he played in restoring order and putting an end to the long-drawn civil strife in that kingdom, Rajaraja was well justified in claiming to have conquered Vengi. This is not to say that Vengi became at once an integral part of the Cola Empire * like the other areas where, as in the Ganga or even the Pandya country, the separate political existence of the conquered country was deliberately put an end to, and the administrative system of the Colas was imposed. If the analogy suggested by the term is not pressed too far, the political relation in which Vengi stood to the Cola empire under Rajaraja is best described as that of a protectorate. The alliance between the two ruling families was sealed by a dynastic marriage; Vimalāditya married Rājarāja's daughter Kundavā, the younger sister of Rajendra. †

Two undated inscriptions from Mahēndragiri ‡
record, in Sanskrit and Tamil, an
invasion of Rājēndra Cōļa against a
king of Kulūta, who had the name
Vimalāditya. This chieftain probably was a recalcitrant
feudatory of the Eastern Cāļukya Vimalāditya. §

See JAHRS. iii, iv, B. V. Krishna Rao's Ifistory of Rajahmundry for an unconvincing attempt to show that Rajaraja had no part in the restoration of Saktivarman. K. Rao's identification of Jata-Coda with Jatavarman Sundara Cola-Pandya is impossible.

[†] Korumelli plates-IA. xiv p. 52 ll. 55-65.

^{‡ 396, 397} of 1896 ; ASI. 1911-12 pp. 171-2.

[§] ASI. 1911-12 p. 172 n. 2.

The inscriptions are recorded in the name of Rājēndra and mention the erection of a pillar of victory by him on the high peak of the Mahēndra mountain. But this expedition against Vimalāditya finds no place in Rājēndra's historical introduction. It took place in the reign of his father and accounts for Rājarāja's claim that he conquered Kalinga. * Vimalāditya, the Cāļukya son-in-law of Rājarāja, made some presents in 1014 A.D. to a temple in Tiruvaiyāru, in the heart of the Cōļa country. †

The last of the conquests, mentioned only in the latest inscriptions of Rajaraja, is that Conquest of of the 'old islands of the sea numberthe Maldives. ing 12,000,' the Maldives. ‡ naval conquest, of which we have no details. is sufficient indication that the navy which, as we shall see, Rājēndra used so effectively some years later, had been organised under his great father who stands in many ways in the same relation to Rajendra as Philip of Macedon to Alexander the Great. An earlier occasion in Rajaraja's reign in which the The Cola Navy. navy played a part was the conquest of Ceylon. In this increasing realisation of the importance of a good navy, we may find a reason for holding that the expedition against Kandalur in the early years of Rajaraja's rule was primarily intended to sterilise the naval power of the Ceras.

^{*} Krishna Sastri is inclined to make this conquest part of Rājēndra's campaign for 'fetching the Ganges into his country.' (SII. iii p. 388 n. 6). But Kulūta is not mentioned in the detailed list of countries given in that connection.

^{† 215} of 1894.

^{‡ &}quot;The king of the Maldives assumes the style of king of the Twelve Thousand Islands,"—Renaudot quoting Pyrard—Ancient Accounts, Remarks p. 2. Also Toung Pao xvi, p. 388 n. 1.

RAJARAJA THE GREAT

In the closing years of his reign Rājarāja associated his son Rājēndra with himself in the official administration. This formal recognition of Rājēndra as heir apparent took place some time between the

27th March and 7th July 1012 A.D. * Rājēndra must have been at least twenty-five years of age at the time as he is mentioned in Rājarāja's inscriptions of the fourth year as a young prince. † Considering the large number of Tanjore inscriptions which mark the twenty-ninth year of his father, we may conclude

that this year (1014 A.D.) marked the close of Rājarāja's illustrious reign. ‡).

There is in existence, however, at

Kanyākumāri an inscription dated in the thirty-first year of a Rājakēsari Rājarāja-dēva. The inscription is unfortunately mutilated, its beginning being lost; it records the establishment of a shed for supplying drinking water (taṇṇrppandal) called Jayangoṇḍa-sōlan, § a name which Rājarāja assumed in the later years of his reign.

Rājarāja's great reign is commemorated by the magnificent Siva temple which he built at Tanjore, the Rājarājesvara, which stands to this day, the finest monument of a splendid period of South Indian history and the most beautiful specimen of Tamil architecture at its best. The temple is remarkable alike for its stupendous proportions and for the simplicity of its design. A

^{*} El. viii p. 260.

^{+ 117} A of 1896.

[‡] This seems to be the proper explanation of the apparently puzzling reference to a gift of the third year of Rajondra in SII, ii 90.

[§] Gopinatha Rao thought this surname to be that of Rājādhirāja and assigned this record to Rājarāja II, who, however, was a Parakēsari. (TAS. i, p. 168). 252 of 1915 is another Rājarāja record of the 31st year.

[¶] SII. ii, p. 312; 468 of 1908.

rectangular court, 750 feet by 250, is divided into two by a partition wall, which carries a low tower of beautiful design; the inner court is twice as long as the outer. The chief shrine occupies the centre of the Western half of this inner court and the Vimana. which rises over the sanctum to a height of nearly 200 feet on a square base of about a hundred feet, dominates the whole structure. The boldly moulded basement, the huge monolithic Nandi, the simple and tasteful basreliefs and the decorative motifs on the Vimana and the balustrades, the graceful sculptures in the niches on the sides of the Vimana and the fine chiselling which marks the entire work, including the lettering of the numerous inscriptions, are not equalled by anything known in South Indian architecture, Viewed from any angle, the effect produced by the whole this wonderful structure pleasing is impressive. That the stone walls round the garbhagrha right under the Vimana in the interior of the temple were overlaid with a thin coat of chunam (lime) plaster, and painted, is beyond question. * When he saw this great enterprise of his reign drawing to completion, on the 275th day of the 25th year of his reign, Rajaraja solemnly dedicated the copper-pot intended adorning the finial at the top of the Vimana. have no authentic information as to how the colossal labour involved in transporting the huge blocks of granite over great distances, and the technical problems involved in raising them to position, were met. The conquered countries doubtless paid part of the cost. (After its completion, the temple in the capital city had close business relations with the rest of the country; year after year villages from all parts

^{*} I base this statement on a personal inspection of the walls. Some of this ancient painting may yet be rescued by timely action.

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of the empire were required to supply men and material according to a fixed schedule for the various requirements of the temple. Those nearer home took out perpetual loans from the numberless money endowments showered on the temple by the piety and the generosity of the court and its officials, and undertook to contribute regularly the annual interest in cash or in some other way previously determined. In the minute care and precision with which most of these arrangements were completed before Rajaraja's twenty-ninth year we see the hand of a masterful and imaginative administrator. Karuvür Dēvar, a contemporary hymnist, celebrated the new temple in one of his sacred hymns. Tanjāvūr, it should be noted, was not among the numerous sacred spots of Saivism consecrated by the hymns of the Devaram Saints, Appar, Sambandar and Sundaramūrti. The temple was altogether a creation of Rājarāja's policy.

The accurate survey and assessment of the country for purposes of land-revenue, the Administration. perfection of the administrative organisation of the country by the creation of a strong and centralised machinery corresponding to the staff of secretaries in a modern administration, and the posting of representative officers of the central government in suitable localities, the promotion of a system of audit and control by which village assemblies and other quasi-public corporations were held to account without their initiative or autonomy being curtailed, the creation of a powerful standing army and a considerable navy which achieved even greater success under Rajendra than under himself, Religious Policy. mark out Rājarāja as the greatest among the empire-builders of Southern India.) Himself

an ardent follower of Siva, Rajaraja was, like all the great statesmen of India, tolerant in matters of religion, and all creeds received equal favour at his hands. The decorative sculptures on the walls of the Tanjore temple and the construction of some Vișnu temples by him in Mysore and his gifts to other Visnu temples recorded in his inscriptions are proof of his liberal religious policy. (The celebrated Leyden grant records how he encouraged the erection of the Cūdāmaņi Vihāra in Negapatam by the Sailendra king, Srī Māra-vijayottunga-varman, the lord of Srī Viṣaya and Katāha across the sea. This Vihāra, which was building in the twenty-first year of Rajaraja*, was named after the father of its founder, and the Cola monarch, with whose permission the construction was undertaken, dedicated to Lord Buddha dwelling in this Vihara the village of Anaimangalam, and his son Rajendra confirmed the grant after his father's death and caused it to be engraved on copper-plates. That Negapatam was the first port on the mainland touched by vessels from the East bound for South India becomes clear from I-tsing's itineraries. † This must have been the reason for the foreign king constructing a Vihāra there.)

If names are the music of history, this noble king greatly indulged his taste for this music; and what is more, he sought to make these names current coin by attaching them to new foundations or substituting them for old ones. Besides Rājarāja, Mummadicōļa, Jayangoņda and Arumoli, which became part of the names of cities (Puram), vaļanādus and mandalams, the king also called

^{* 1. 118} of the grant (Tamil part).

[†] Gerini-Researches p. 527. Also ARE. 1899, paragraph 48.

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himself Cölendrasimha, Śivapādaśekhara, Kṣatriya-śikhāmaṇi, Jananātha, Nigarili-śöla, Rājendrasimha, Cöla-mārtāṇḍa, Rājāśraya, Rāja-mārtāṇḍa, Nityavinōda, Pāṇḍyakulāśani, Kēralāntaka, Śingalāntaka, Ravikula-māṇikya, Telingakulakāla * and so on. Many of these names, together with those of other members of the royal family, like Kundavai, Śembiyan-mahādēvi and others often distinguished the wards (śēris) in the larger villages and towns of the Cöla empire. † The regiments in the army also bore names formed out of the surnames of kings and princes.

Rājarāja had a number of wives but apparently only a few children. The queens mentioned Family. in his inscriptions as making gifts to temples and in other connections number about fifteen. and though we can hardly be sure of it, Dantisakti Vitanki, also called Löka-mahādēvi, appears to have occupied the most important place among them. With her we find the king in Tiruvisalūr in the twenty-ninth year of his reign. On this occasion the king performed the tulābhāra and his queen Dantisakti the hiranyagarbha in the temple at Tiruviśalūr. ‡ The inscription recording this fact is engraved below a sculptured representation of the king and the queen in a worshipping posture. Some of the gold was used to make some flowers for Ksētrapāla in the shrine built by the queen at Tiruvalanjuli. § The mother of Rajendra, the

Pd. 91.

[†] Mannār-kövil in the Tinnevelly district had twelve seris so named, see 109 of 1905 (El. xi pp. 292-8). Tirukkalittiţţai in Tanjore had the following seris, among others: Arumolidevaceeri, Jananāthaceeri, Nittavinodaceeri, Kājakēsariceeri, Nigarilisolaceeri, Alagiyasolaceeri, Singalāntakaceeri, Kundavaiceeri, Solakulasundaraceeri, Rājamārttāņḍaceeri, and Rājarājaceeri (292 of 1908 of the ninth year of Rājendra I).

^{‡ 42} of 1907. For hiranya-garbha in modern times, see Galletti-The Dutch in Malabar p. 110 and n.

^{§ 633-}C. of 1902 (Rajendra 3).

only son of Rajaraja we know, was Vanavan-mahadevi alias Tribhuvana-mahādēvi. * An inscription of the twenty-seventh year mentions Ilangon Picci as the name of the senior queen (mūtta-dēviyār) of the Cola king (Solaperuman) and calls her the daughter of Vallavaraiyan. † We know that Vallavaraiyar Vandyadevar was the husband of Kundavai, the elder sister of Rājarāja, ‡ who is often called in the inscriptions Ālvār Parantakan Kundavaip-pirattiyar and the daughter of Pon-māļigait-tuñjina-dēvar. § Kundavai was much respected and treated with great affection by her brother. Her gifts to the Tanjore temple were recorded, next to the king's own, on the walls of the central shrine, while those of the queens and the officers of state found a place only on the niches and pillars of the enclosure. ¶ One wonders if Ilangon Picci was the daughter of Kundavai whom the king, her mother's younger brother, took to wife; such marriages are not unknown in the Tamil country to-day. Rājarāja must have had at least three daughters, because an inscription from Tiruvalanjuli mentions besides the younger Kundavai, the queen of Calukya-Vimaladitya, a middle daughter of the king called Mādēvadigal. || Peculiar interest attaches to two memorials erected by Rājarāja which show his eagerness to fulfil his obligations to his family, and that in a manner productive of public good. They are the construction at Tirumukkūdal ** of a mandapa called after Sembiyan Mahādēvi, the queen of Gandarāditya and mother of Uttama Cola, and the foundation of the Coļēsvara or Arinjigai-Īsvara temple at Melpadi. ††

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* 117-A of 1896; 448 of 1918. † 14 of 1920.

‡ SII. ii 2. § 8 of 1919.

¶ SII. ii. Introdn. p. 8. | 633 of 1902 (Yr. 25).

** 178 of 1915 (Yr. 28). †† SII. iii 15.
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This history of the reign may be concluded with an account of the leading officials and Officials and feudatories who distinguished themfeudatories. selves in the royal service. Mention has been made already of the place held by Mahadandanāyaka Paticavan Mahārāya, (probably identical with the crown-prince) the sphere of whose command extended over the Ganga and Vengi mandalas, and the Nolamba feudatories of the king in the Ganga country. Paraman Malapādiyār alias Mummudi-solan was a general who conquered the Sitpuli and Pāki nādus early in this reign. In the Trichinopoly district, the Paluvēttaraiyar, of uncertain origin but closely allied to the royal family from the days when Parantaka I married a Paluvēttaraiyar princess, were occupying a respected position, and were apparently in the enjoyment of full responsibility for the administration of a small area around Paluvür. The inscriptions of Adigal Paluvettaraiyar Kandan Maravan, which clearly acknowledge the overlordship of Rajaraja are found in Kila- and Melappaluvur from the third year of the reign and show him ruling in state. He had for instance officers or nobles of the perundaram, like the Cola monarchs and princes themselves. * This chieftain built a temple to Tiruttottam-udaiyar in Melappaluvur, † and adopted the ancient standard prevailing at Nandipuram for regulating taxation in Paluvur. ‡ The latest records mentioning him seem to be dated in the fifteenth year of Rajaraja. § Madhurantakan Gandaradittan apparently a son of Madhurantaka Uttania Cola, ¶ served Rajaraja as an important official in the department

^{• 115} of 1895.

^{+ 394} of 1924 (Rajak. 4).

^{1 365, 367} of 1924 (Rajak, 10, 16).

^{§ 363} of 1924.

[¶] Hultzsch SII. iii 49; ante p. 193 and n. * A certain Gandaradittan Madhurantakan is also mentioned in 356 of 1917 (Yr. 10).

of temple-affairs, so to say. We see him conducting enquiries into the affairs of temples in various parts of the country, punishing defaulters * and making proper arrangements for the prevention of neglect in subsequent years. He has been wrongly identified with Gandarādittar, the author of the Tiruvisaippā, which was in reality composed by his grandfather. † In the district of North Arcot there were the Iladaraya (Lata) chieftains who had apparently been ruling the region round Pancapandavamalai continuously from the days of Parantaka I; in the eighth year of Rajaraja, Udaiyar Vīrasolar, son of Udaiyār Ilādarājar Pugalvippavargandan, remitted, at the request of his queen, some taxes in favour of a Jain temple. # The regal titles employed in the inscriptions of these chieftains are perhaps an indication of the high favour in which they stood with their Cola overlords. In the sixteenth year of the reign of Rajaraja, we find mention, in a Tirnvallam inscription, § of a Tiruvaiyan Sankaradēva who claimed descent from the Gauga kings of Kölär and built at Tiruvallam a temple called Tiruvaiya-Isvara apparently after his father. The highsounding titles that precede the name of this obscure chieftain constitute a clear warning against hasty inferences from such titles in regard to the political status of the person employing them. Nannamarayar of the Vaidumba family, the son of Tukkarai who possessed the Ingallūr-nādu in Mahārājapādi, in the Cuddapah district, gave an endowment at Tiruvallam in North

^{* 283} of 1906; 218 of 1921.

[†] The mistake seems to have arisen from the false belief that G.'s Tiruvišaippā refers to the Tanjore temple whereas it is on Cidambaram. See T. A. G. Rao-Sāļavamša-carittirac-curukkam p. 16 n,

^{1 19} of 1890 (El. iv p. 139.)

^{§ 11} of 1890 (SIZ, iii 51).

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Arcot about 1005 A. D. * A Mummudi Vaitumbamahārājan made a gift in Reddipālem in Nellore about A. D. 993. † This shows that the Vaidumbas continued under Rajaraja, as under his predecessors after Parantaka I, to occupy subordinate official positions in the Cola administrative system. Mention is made of a Śalukki Vimayan whose dēvi (queen), Vīmayan Vambavai, endowed a lamp in the temple at Tiruvaiyāru in the twenty-second year (c. 1007 A. D.) of Rajaraja; I his dynastic connections and the locality of his rule are not quite clear. Like the Vaidumbas, the Banas, who shared the same fate with them at the hands of Parantaka I, seem to have become officers sharing in the administration of the country under the Colas. A Bana prince, Maravan Narasimhavarman, whose records commence with the usual introduction of Rajaraja and then proceed to give the traditional titles of the Banas in all their fullness, was apparently ruling some part of the South Arcot district in the neighbourhood of Jambai towards the close of Rajaraja's reign, as we learn that he excavated a new irrigation tank in that locality. § The Tanjore inscriptions mention Sēnāpati Śrī Kṛṣṇan Rāman of Aman-kudi, ¶ who is called Rājēndrasola Brahmamārāyan in the larger Leyden grant, || as the person who built the tiruccurrālai, the surrounding enclosure and mandapa of the Tanjore temple under the king's orders. Īrāyiravan Pallavaraiyan alias Mummudi-solaposan was another officer of perundaram rank who presented an image and some jewels to the Tanjore temple. ** He was doubtless a high official in the secretariat of the revenue department as we find him

attesting the Leyden grant and an important inscription from Ukkal* relating to revenue settlement. Sēnāpati Kuravan Ulagaļandān alias Rājarāja Mahārājan who is also mentioned in the Tanjore inscriptions, † apparently got his surname Ulagaļandān (one who measured the world) after carrying out the revenue survey which began in the sixteenth year (A. D. 1001), formed one of the most original and important administrative achievements of the reign ‡ and furnished the basis for the revenue policy for many years thereafter, as can be seen from the numerous references to the survey in subsequent records.

^{*} SIL iii, 9.

⁺ SII. ii 95, p. 459.

^{\$ 624-}A of 1902; 44 of 1907 (Yr. 24).

CHAPTER X

RĀJĒNDRA I - (1012-1044 A. D.)

Parakēsari-varman Rājēndra-cōladēva I was declared heir apparent and formally associated with his father in the administration of the Empire in the closing years of his rule. Accordingly he counts his regnal years from some date between 27th March and 7th July, 1012 A.D. * and we find clear evidence of joint rule in the third year of Rājēndra. This year is mentioned in Rājarāja's Tanjore inscriptions of his twenty-ninth year; † Rājarāja is also stated to have made a gift in the third year of his son's rule. ‡ The star of Rājēndra's nativity was Ārdrā. §

Rajendra inherited from his father an extensive empire comprising the whole of the modern Presidency of Madras and parts of empire.

of Mysore and the island of Ceylon.

The administration had been carefully organised and a fairly powerful bureaucracy brought into existence which, while it scrupulously respected the 'liberties,' feudal and corporate, of the various magnates and associations that studded the land, successfully maintained the king's peace, and enforced all civil rights. The army was a strong and tried body of men, well able to defend the wide land frontier and to keep down any threatened outbreaks in areas newly subjected to the empire, and ready for aggressive warfare abroad. (The hold on Ceylon and some other islands like the Maldives was securely maintained by a powerful naval

^{*} El. viii p. 260.

[†] See ante p. 221, n. ‡ 8 271 of 1927 (Yr. 7)

¹⁹⁶ of 1917.

force which also served to protect the considerable overseas trade of the empire with the islands of the East Indies and with China. During the thirty-three years of his reign, Rajendra turned these initial advantages to the best possible use and succeeded in raising the Cola empire to the position of the most extensive and most respected Hindu state of his time, and one which possessed though perhaps only for a time a not inconsiderable dominion over the Malay peninsula and the Eastern Archipelago. The history of Rajendra's reign is very largely the history of the extensive wars and conquests he undertook in the first half of his reign. Like his father, he has left behind in his stone inscriptions and in the Tiruvālangādu copperplates a trustworthy account of the military and naval transactions of his reign which receive confirmation at all points at which we have the means of controlling it by other evidence.

The most common form of Rajendra's Tamil praśasti is that which begins tiru manni His prasastis. valara. We come across this form as early as the third year, though it is more generally employed only from the fifth. This introduction progressively increases in length by the narration of fresh conquests until the thirteenth year, after which date it becomes stereotyped. By tracing its growth we are able to fix the internal chronology of the reign with a precision not often attained in the annals of Ancient India. Another Tamil prasasti known so far from only one inscription * of the tenth year, gives some particulars about Pandyan affairs which are confirmed by the Tiruvālangādu plates. In another inscription dated in the twenty-fourth year, † the Tamil prasasti

^{* 363} of 1917.

follows the usual form up to the conquest of Takkanaladam, and then proceeds to record transactions relating to princes of the blood royal, and Rajendra's relations with Ceylon and the Calukyas; this unique text which ends by calling him Rajakesari * is beset with many difficulties of interpretation, and as it is a copy of an earlier original, it is possible that a mistake has occurred in the re-engraving. Lastly, the account given of Rajendra's military achievements in the Sanskrit part of the Tiruvalangadu plates was written, quite obviously, † after all conquests were over, and by the side of indications gained from the different stages of the Tamil prasasti in different years, this Sanskrit account must be held to be of decidedly inferior import to the chronology of the reign. But the poet Nārāyana who composed the long Sanskrit prašasti is entitled to our admiration not only for his high literary quality but for the attention he gives to the facts of his patron's reign which is fuller than is usual with court-poets. In fact, his account forms, at several points, a valuable supplement to the Tamil prasasti.

Very early in Rājēndra's reign, he appointed his son Rājādhirāja as yuvarāja to assist him in the work of the state. Calculations made from Rājādhirāja's records have led to the conclusion that this happened on some day between 15th March and 3rd December 1018 A.D.,‡ most probably in the early months of the seventh year of Rājēndra himself. For over twenty-five years from that date, father and son, Parakēsari and Rājakēsari ruled together and shared the burdens of empire. The inscriptions of Rājādhirāja, with the introduction

^{*} The mistake possibly arose from a Rajakesari also having ruled jointly with the king for some years before the date of the record; but see infra.

[†] ARE. 1906 II 13.

¹ El. ix p. 218.

beginning tingalērtaru, give an account of the part played by this prince in the campaigns of his father, and up to about the twenty-sixth year of Rājādhirāja's reign, his records must be understood to supplement those of Rājēndra by giving an alternative description of more or less the same transactions from the standpoint of Rājādhirāja's part in them. * In an inscription of his twenty-sixth year from Tirumalavāḍi which adopts the shorter form of his introduction, † Rājādhirāja's umbrella of state is said to have functioned as if it were the shadow of the white umbrella of his father who conquered with his army the Ganges in the North, Ceylon in the South, Mahōdai in the West and Kadāram in the East. This clear statement that the son ruled in full regal state in the life-time of his father, and that for as many as

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twenty-six years, provides the key for the proper understanding of an important aspect of Cola history. Adopted in

the first instance, possibly, as a device to obviate disputed succession, the system of choosing a successor in the life-time of the ruling king and associating him, after a formal installation, in the discharge of important public duties pointed the way, under the stress of empire, to a more deliberate and extensive application of the

^{*} Hultzsch observed: "Rājādhirāja appears to have been coregent of (his predecessor Rājēndra Cōla I) and cannot have exercised independent royal functions before the death of the other. It is in perfect accordance with this conclusion that his inscriptions which have been discovered so for are all dated in the later years of his reign viz., between the 26th and 32nd years." SII. iii. p. 52. When Hultzsch said this, 172 of 1894 (Tirukkaļukkunam) of the 26th year was the earliest record available. Since then, the tingaļēr introduction has been reported as found in 484 of 1925 (Year 10) and 392 of 1921 (year 18), but on examining the impressions of these records, I have found that they are both dated in the thirty-sixth year. It is possible, however, that some records (with early regnal years) which, though containing no prašastis, give imperlal titles to Rājādhirāja e.g., Tribhuvanacaksavartin (241 of 1927) and Cakravartigaļ (124 of 1922), really belong to Rājādhirāja 1. See also 244, 245 of 1929.

^{† 75} of 1895 ll. 2-4. (S.H. v. 633). These lines seem to have been taken to mean no more than that Rājādhirāja inherited his kingdom from his father—ARE. 1913 II 26.

principle to the administrative arrangements of the empire. The princes of the blood royal who had come of age were appointed to positions of authority in the different provinces of the empire, care being taken to give to each the position suited to his capacity and talent. The person chosen as heir apparent was distinguished from the rest by a formal installation, and by his higher status; in the case of Rajadhiraja, who was not the eldest son of Rajendra and must have been chosen as yuvarāja for his outstanding ability, his status is clearly implied by his separate historical introductions and by his titles even during his father's The contemporary Cola-Pandya vicerovs. life-time. also Cola princes, either use no historical introductions in their inscriptions, or when they do so, adopt that of the ruling sovereign, Rajendra. In the early years of his reign Rājēndra seems to have been assisted only by one such subordinate ruler with jurisdiction over the Pandya and the Kerala countries, besides the crown prince Rājādhirāja, though it is possible that in later years others were similarly recognized elsewhere. It is probable that when chosen for such employment, the princes underwent an investiture of some sort which, among other things, conferred on them the right to wear coronets of their own, suited to their relative positions in the state. Rājādhirāja and his successor are said, in their inscriptions, also to have continued these arrangements. This wise system initiated by Rajendra I, by finding suitable occupation for the energies of restless princes of the royal family, doubtless allayed their discontent, diminished the chances of palace intrigues and revolutions, and at the same time brought new strength to the administration of an over-grown empire which was called upon to face many difficult problems, domestic and foreign.

We shall now trace the progress of Rajendra's conquests as recorded in the sources Early conquests. above mentioned, accepting as onr basis the precise indications of chronology in the tiru manni valara introduction. From this introduction we learn that up to the third year of his reign he had conquered Iditurai-nadu, Banavase (Vanavasi) encircled by a continuous hedge of forest, Kollippākkai whose ramparts were surrounded by sulli trees, and Mannaikkadakkam whose fortifications were mnapproachable. Whether this account is a retrospective version of Rajendra's invasion of Rattapadi of the year 1004 A.D. so vividly described in the Hottur record dated three years after it, or recounts a second campaign necessitated by the recovery of Satyasraya, cannot be decided with certainty. In any event, the campaign took place before 1008 A.D. because it was directed against Satyāśraya himself, who was succeeded by Vikramādityā V about that year. Iditurai-nādu, Ededore 2000, "was a stretch of country between the rivers Kṛṣṇā on the north and Tungabhadra on the south, comprising a large part of the present Raichur district." * Kollippākkai was, doubtless, Kulpak, about 45 miles northeast of Hyderabad, "invariably termed Kollipaka in the inscriptions," + and the centre of a 7000 district which was later on, at the beginning of the next century, ruled for some time by Someśvara III, as viceroy under his father Vikramāditya VI. Knlpak was still the centre of a province ruled by a governor under the Kākatīyas in the thirteenth century. In Mannaikkadakkain with its strong fortifications one may easily recognise the Manyakheta which according to the Kanyakumari

Fleet, EI. xii pp. 295-6.

[†] Journal of the Hyderabad Archaeological Society, 1916, pp. 14 ff. See also IA. xliv pp. 213-5.

inscription * became the sporting ground of Rajendra's forces in battle. Manyakhēta (Malkhed) must have suffered greatly in this invasion of Rajendra. (In the closing years of Rastrakuta domination, it had been once sacked and plundered by the Paramara ruler of Mālwa; and now, forty years later, under the Calukvas, a worse fate overtook the unfortunate city. This must have weighed greatly with the Calukyas who, soon after, transferred the capital to Kalyani or Kalyanapura, 48 miles to the N. E. of Malkhed. † An inscription of Rajendra from the Trichinopoly district, dated in his third year, ‡ mentions an incident in the fight with Satyasraya before Mannaikkadakkam. certain Śrutimān Nakkan Candran, a native of Ugrattūr, was ordered by the king's own mouth (perumāļ tiruvāyāl moliva) to attack the enemy's elephant and apparently lost his life, and for his benefit a gift was made to the temple of Mahādēva in his native village of Urrattūr. In this campaign, therefore, Rajendra crossed the Tungabhadra, carried the war into the heart of the Calukya country and attacked their very capital. It is not easy to see how these operations across the Tungabhadra could have been coupled with an attack on Banavasc, long celebrated as the centre of Kadamba power, and then part of the W. Calukya kingdom. Banavase lies much outside, and too far to the west of the line of advance indicated by the rest of this campaign; § and yet the language of the inscription

^{*} v. 70

[†] Fleet ascribes this to Somesvara I, Rom. Gaz. I, ii pp. 427, 440; El. Xiii pp. 180-2. The transfer might have occurred earlier.

^{1 515} of 1912.

[§] Dr. S.K. Aiyangar apparently finds no difficulty here. He says: "Having mastered possession of this debatable frontier of all South Indian history (Raichur doab), he proceeded northwards into the southernmost districts of the Rayrakula country," (italics mine-Gangaikonda Cola p. 544). It is possible that more than one army took the field at the same time.

seems to render it obligatory to treat the whole as one eampaign, and the names mentioned as the different stages, though not in that order, of a single expedition. This and the date of the Hottūr inscription go far to suggest that the data furnished by Rājēndra's inscriptions also belong to the war which was waged about 1004 A.D. against Satyāśraya by Rājarāja, and that in this war the advance of Rājēndra against the Cāļukyas started from somewhere in the N.W. of Mysore, took a generally north-eastern line along the course of the Tungabhadrā until the Raichūr doab was reached, when a more northerly course was struck, and Kulpak and Mālkhed became the objects of attack. A maṇḍapa at Tiruvorriyūr called Maṇṇaikoṇḍa-Śōla was among the mementos of this campaign. *

The conquest of the whole of In-mandalam (Ceylon) is the next achievement mentioned. As some of the inscriptions of the fifth year † do not include this conquest, while others ‡ do so, we may be sure that the war against Ceylon was undertaken in the fifth year, A.D. 1017-18. The Mahāvamsa places the completion of the Cōla conquest of Ceylon in the 36th year of Mahinda V which falls also in A.D. 1017 according to the latest scheme of Ceylonese chronology established by Geiger. § About twelve years before this date, Rājarāja, taking advantage of the confusion in the island kingdom which arose from a military revolt against Mahinda V, had brought it under his power with the

^{* 103} of 1912. + 50 of 1897; 439 of 1907.

^{‡ 4} of 1890; 257 of 1903. 585 of 1906 from Embadi (also fifth year) carries the conquests further up to Sandimattivu. But as the inscription mentions the 25th year of the reign, it was engraved much later and is to be accepted with caution.

[§] CV. ii p. xiii.

exception of its remoter parts which were still held by the Singhalese. As a result of his expedition Rājēndra claims to have captured the crown of the kings of Ceylon* the exceedingly beautiful crowns of their queens, the fine crown and the garland of Indra which the Pāṇḍya had previously deposited with them (the kings of Ceylon), and the whole Ila-maṇḍalam on the transparent sea. The Mahāvamsa does not mince matters and gives a straight account which confirms the claims made by Rājēndra in his inscriptions: †

"In the six and thirtieth year of the king's (Mahindu V's) reign the Colas seized the mahesi, the jewels, the diadem that he had inherited, the whole of the (royal) ornaments, the priceless diamond bracelet, a gift of the gods, the unbreakable sword and the relic of the torn strip of cloth. ‡ But the Ruler himself, who had fled in fear to the jungle, they captured alive, with the pretence of making a treaty. Thereupon they sent the Monarch and all the treasures which had fallen into their hands at once to the Cola Monarch. In the three fraternities and in all Lanka (breaking open) the relic chambers, (they carried away) many costly images of gold etc., and while they violently destroyed here and there all the monasteries, like blood-sucking yakkhas, they took all the treasures of Lanka for themselves. With Pullatthinagara as base, the Colas held sway over Rajarattha as far as the locality known as Rakkhapāsānakantha. . . . King Mahinda dwelt twelve years in the Cola land and entered into heaven in the forty-eighth year (from his ascent of the throne.)"

^{*} Hultzsch (SII. iii p. 28) translates: "the crown of the king of llam (who was as tempestuous as) the sea in fighting." But in the phrase: "poru-kadal-llattarašar-tamudiyum," porukadal is an attribute, not of 'arašar,' but of llam'. See EI. ix p. 233 The plurals in 'arašar' and 'avar džviyar' are meant to show that the hereditary crown is intended. See extract from the MV. which follows.

[†] CV. Ch. 55 vv. 16 ff. The three preceding verses talk of a horse-dealer informing the C31a king of the confusion in the island and bringing about the invasion; this part of the story perhaps applies to Rajaraja's invasion which is not otherwise noticed by the MV.

[‡] Chinnapattikādhātuka which Geiger thinks might have been a Buddha relic, highly prized, among the regalia of the Singhalese kings. Wijesimha translates: "and the Sacred forehead band."

Rajendra thus succeeded in getting hold of the Pāṇḍyan regalia left behind by Rājasimha, which Parantaka I had sought and failed to secure. The Cola inscriptions are silent on the details of the conquest and draw a veil over the pillage of Lanka so vividly chronicled in the Ceylonese annals, though one inscription apparently mentions Mahinda's submission to the Cola king after he was transported to the mainland.* Raiendra's success was complete, and the whole of the island became a Cola province. We have some inscriptions of Rājēndra at Polomarnwa and in the Colombo museum with the tiru manni valara introduction †; but these are in a very damaged condition, and valuable only as furnishing clear epigraphical confirmation of Rajendra's conquest and rule in Ceylont Several Hinda temples, Dēvāles devoted to Siva and to Visnu, have been discovered in the vicinity of Polomaruwa; these are built of stone and in the Tamil Cola style of architecture, and all of them must have been constructed in this period of Cola rule in the island. The Mahavamsa adds that twelve years after Rajendra's invasion, possibly also after the death of Mahinda V, his son Kassapa who had been brought up in secret by the Singhalese for fear of the Colas, became the centre of a national resistance against the Tanil power, and that, after a six month's war in which a great number of Damilas were killed by the Singhalese forces, he succeeded in making Rohana once more independent of the Tamil province and ruled it as Vikkanıabāhu I for a period of twelve years (1029-41 A.D.). The events of Vikkamabāhu's reign belong to a later stage of Rājēndra's rule and may be reserved for further consideration at the proper place.

^{• 642} of 1909 (yr. 7).

^{+ 595, 618} of 1912 (STI. iv 1389; 1414).

In his sixth year, * A.D. 1018, Rajendra seized the heirloom of the Kēraļa monarch inclu-Kerala War. ding the crown praised by many and rightfully worn by him, and the garland emitting red rays. † He also took the "many ancient islands, whose old, great guard was the ocean which makes the conches resound." In the next year, he captured the crown of pure gold worthy of Tiru (Laksmi) that had been deposited in Sandimattivn, in view of its strong fortress, by Parasurama who, roused in war, had uprooted the kings (of the world) twenty-one times. ± Some light is thrown on these rather obscure transactions by the account of Rajendra's southern campaign given by the Tiruvālangādu plates and by a single stone inscription of the tenth year § which gives an account of Rajendra's policy in the Pandya country, not found in the other stone records of the reign. The Tiruvālangādu plates ¶ say:

"This famous and heroic king, possessed of a powerful army and bent upon the performance of meritorious deeds with heaps of money acquired by his own arm, then set his heart upon a digvijaya.

Accordingly after arranging for the protection (in his absence) of his own capital, the unrivalled king Uttama Côla first started in the direction marked by Trisanku (the south) desirous of conquering the Pāṇḍya king.

The commander (daṇḍanātha) of the ornament (tilaka) to the Solar race (Rājēndra) (thereupon) struck the Pāṇḍyan king who had a great force; and the Pāṇḍya abandoned his home in fright and fled for refuge to the Malaya mountain, the abode of Agastya.

^{* 22} of 1895; 211 of 1911.

[†] Eripadai means 'victorious army'; 'Sengadir-mālai' may be taken more literally as above instead of being understood as meaning the sun. Centra Hultzsch El. ix p. 233.

^{1 29} of 1897 (SII. ii 82); 74 of 1907 (yr. 8).

^{§ 363} of 1917.

[¶] vv. 89-97.

Rājarāja's son, the master of policy, took possession of the bright spotless pearls, the seeds of the spotless fame of the Pāṇḍya kings.

After establishing there his own son, Śri Cola-Paṇdya, for the protection of the Paṇdya country, the light of the Solar raco then proceeded to the conquest of the West.

Having heard of the ignominy sustained by kings at the hands of Bhārgava in battle, this proud king, not finding him (Bhārgava) on the face of the earth, developed a desire to conquer the land created by him.

Who else, other than this supreme lord (Paramesvara) can entertain the thought in his mind of subjugating (lit. humiliating) that ancient land protected by the glory of the ornament of the Bhṛgukula and free from the inroads of enemies?

The fearless Madhurantaka crossed the Sahya (mountain) and forthwith set upon the Kerala in great force, and there ensued a fierce battle which brought ruin upon kings.

After having (thus) conquered the Kēraļa king and harrowed the land guarded by the austerities of the lord of the Bhṛgus, the prince returned to his capital, the abode of prosperity."

It may be doubted if by this campaign Rājēndra added any new territory to his dominions. The Pāṇḍya and Kēraļa countries had been conquered by Rājarāja very early in his reign, and 'the many anci-

ent islands 'towards its end. These islands were the Maldives; the obscure Sāndimattīvu of legendary fame is apparently to be sought also among the islands of the Arabian sea. The effective hold retained by Rājarāja on his southern conquests becomes clear from his numerous records in the Pāṇḍya country and from an inscription of the third year of Rājēndra * mentioning an endowment in Tiruviśalūr by the queen of a Pāṇḍya king called Śrīvalluvar. While the Tamil praśasti of Rājēndra mentions some new achievements

^{* 46} of 1907.

of the king in Ceylon and Kēraļa, the most considerable among them being the seizure of the regalia of the different kingdoms of the south, it has nothing to say on Pāṇḍyan affairs. The vague statements of the Tiruvālangāḍu plates that the Pāṇḍyan king fled to the Agastya hill and that Rājēndra took his pearls are too conventional to be accepted literally; a stone inscription of the tenth year, * however, confirms the statement of the copper-plates that the king established his

own son in Madura as his viceroy with the title Cola-Pāṇḍya and also states that Rājēndra built a palace in Madura by, whose weight the earth became unsteady.' The same inscription implies that Rājēndra repeated his father's performance at Kāndaļūr-sālai. This Pāṇḍyan viceroy, who was soon after placed in charge of the Kēraļa country as well, was Jaṭāvarman Sundara Cola-Pāṇḍya to whose time belong the largest number of the Cola-Pāṇḍya inscriptions so far known.

An inscription † of Rajendra informs us that in his twenty-fourth regual year, the emperor Date of made a grant of land to the temple appointment. bnilt at Mannārkovil (Tiunevelly) by the Cēra king Rājasimha and called Rājēndra-Śōļavinuagar, and that this grant was to take effect from the fifteenth year of Jațāvarman Sundara Cola-Pandya. Assuming that the fifteenth year of the viceroy fell either in the twenty-fourth year of the emperor or possibly a little earlier, Jatavarman Sundara Cola-Pāṇdya must have been appointed viceroy about the sixth or seventh year of Rajendra, a date which fits in with the indications furnished by the Tiruvalangadu plates taken along with the Tamil prasasti.

^{+ 112} of 1905

Mannārkovil inscription is also valuable in other respeets. It shows that the viceroys enjoyed almost regal status and were allowed officially to issue orders dated in their own years of office. It also indicates the close contact maintained between the headquarters of the empire,-Rājēndra was residing in his palace at Kāncīpuram when this gift was made,-and the viceregal Lastly, the jurisdiction of the Cola-Pandya viceroy over the Cera country is clearly seen in the Cēra king building a temple in the Pāndya country and naming it after the Cola emperor. From his inscriptions we see that Jatavarman Sundara Cola-Pandya ruled as viceroy for at least twenty-three years, up to about A. D. 1040. One of the latest * of these inscriptions opens with the prasasti of Rajendra himself, (tiru manni valara). Another states that Sucindram in Nānjinād (South Travaneore) came to be ealled Sundara-śola-caturvēdimangalam after the viceroy, † One eurious fact not easy to explain is the record of a grant at Köttär (near Nagercoil) in south Travancore by an Eastern Calukya prince who called himself Sarvalokāśraya Śrī Viṣṇuvardhana Mahārāja alias Cāļukya Vijayāditya Vikkiyanna. The inscription is dated in the 11th year of Sundara Cola-Pandya ‡ i.e., about A.D. 1029. / Köttär was a strong fortress of strategic importance in those days and the Colas maintained a strong garrison there; it is quite possible that an Eastern Calukya prince who held an important place in the army lived in Köttar for some years. But his identity is uncertain in the extreme.

In the years A. D. 1021 and 1022, Rūjēndra resumed the war against the Western Cāļukya power. Jayasimha, who had succeeded his brother Vikramāditya V about 1016 A.D.,

^{* 617} of 1916. † TAS. iv pp. 134-5. ‡ 44 of 1896.

was displaying unwonted energy in recovering territory lost to the Colas in previous wars. The Balagamve inscription of 1019 describes him as defeating the Colas and the Ceras, * and this is borne out by the presence of his inscriptions about this time in Bellary and the N. W. of Mysore. † Rajendra's war against Jayasimha is described in his Tamil prasasti in the following terms:

"(He captured) the seven and a half lakhs of Raṭṭapāḍi (which was) strong by nature, and vast quantities of treasure, together with the inestimable reputation of Jayasimha who, out of fear and to his great disrepute, turned his back at Muśangi and hid himself." ‡

The assertion that the whole of Rattapādi fell into the hands of Rājēndra is, of course, a gross exaggeration. In fact, in the Cōla inscriptions of this period, this is no more than a conventional way of recording some temporary advantage gained in the field against the Cālukyas. The rest of the statements in the prasasti seem to be true. There was an engagement

^{*} Fleet DKD. 436.

[†] Rangachari-Bellary 279, 471; EC. vii Sk. 220, 307.

I Hultzsch translates-' payangodu palimiga' into" out of fear and full of vengeance," (Ef. ix p. 233). Pali means 'vengeance' in some contexts; but here it has surely another meaning: 'disrepute'. The idea is that by his flight he lost his reputation as king or warrior. The phrase 'navanidikkulap-perumaligalum' is not clear. Hultzsch understands this independently of the Rattapadi campaign, and translates: "the principal great mountains (which contained) the nine treasures (of Kubera)." This flawless literal rendering is not intelligible, and Hultzsch has not explained what he understands by it. Dr. S. K. Aiyangar is inclined, on the other hand, to sec a place name of unknown identity in Navanidhi-kula, like Namanaikkonam, Pancappalli and Masuni-desa. (Sewell-Historical Inscriptions p. 65, n.) But unlike konam, palli and dria, an ending in kula seems most unlikely for a place name. I think the whole expression is a rhetorical way of stating that much treasure fell into the hands of Rajendra. 'Kulap peru-malaigal' suggest, by recalling the 'Kulaparvatas' of legend, the vastness of the treasure; and 'navanidhi,' though usually employed of the insignia of Kubera, is introduced here to suggest the variety of the treasures of the Calukya monarch. cf. kuladhanam-akhilam yasasca muktwa bhayam avalambya palāyanam cakāra (v. 105) of the same context in the Tiruvalangadu plates.

at Musangi or Muyangi, as it is spelt variously in the inscriptions, and Jayasimha certainly did not get the best of it. Musangi was most probably the same as Uccangidrug in the Bellary district. * To a description of this campaign the Tiruvalangadu plates devote a considerable number of well-turned verses in the best Kāvya style, and though there are ten such verses, † we learn on the whole less about the actual occurrences in the war from these than from the few lines of the Tamil prasasti translated above. The king started from Kañeipuram on his march against the Ratta country, there was fierce battle between the forces of the Cola king and those of Jayasimha, the latter fled to the forests and Rajendra returned to his capital with much booty. Typical of the turns of thought of the composer and suggestive of the date of composition is the verse: ‡

"It may be no wonder that the fire of his anger burst into a flame as it came into contact with the descendant of Taila. This, however, is strange that, having crossed the waters of all the oceans, it (the fire of his anger) consumed the enemy fuel (dvişadindhana.)

Despite his defeat at Musangi, and the consequent boast of Rājēndra that he captured Raṭṭapādi, Jayasimha was successful in retaining his hold on his territory up to the Tungabhadrā, if not beyond.)The Mīraj grant dated in A.D. 1024 shows that Jayasimha was then in possession of Ededōre 2000 and affirms that he had regained it after driving out the strong Cōla, lord of the five Drāvidas. §

^{*} SII ii p, 94-5, n. 4. Dr. S. K. Aiyangar thinks Maski more likely.

^{† 99-108. ‡} v. 101, SII. iii p. 423.

[§] IA, viii 18; Fleet DKD. 436; EI. xii pp. 295-6. Krishna Sastri's translation of verse 103 of the Tiruvalangadu plates is wrong in implying that the Rattaraja lost his life in the war; parikhandita means 'defeated', not 'cut to pieces.'

The next campaign undertaken by Rājēndra was the northern expedition in quest of the Ganges. In the words of the Tiruvālangādu plates:

"The light of the Solar race (Rajendra), mocking Bhagiratha who by the force of his austerities caused the descent of the Ganga, set out to sanctify his own land with the waters of that stream brought (thither) by the strength of his arm." †

Judging from its duration, this campaign which lasted less than two years, ‡ in which so many kingdoms of the north are stated to have felt the strength of Rājēndra's troops, could hardly have been more than a hurried raid across a vast stretch of country. And the Tiruvālangāḍu plates state explicitly that the expedition was led by one of the king's generals and that Rājēndra met him on his return somewhere on the banks of the Gōdāvari. § The events of the campaign as narrated in the same source may be summed up as follows: After crossing many streams by making the elephants in his army serve as bridges across them, the commander of Vikrama Cōla's ¶ forces first fell upon the strong army of Indraratha and took possession of

^{*} v. 109.

[†] Dr. S.K. Aiyangar is fond of the notion that the scholarly Rajendra, Pandita-Cola as he was, had his imagination fired by a study of the Cora Senguttuvan's exploits as narrated in the Silappadikāram. (Gangai-konda-Cola p. 548). We may wonder whether Rajendra was such a Quixote! The poet Nārāyana has made another guess (utprēkṣā), not less plausible, of Rājūndra's motive. And we have no record of the table-talk of Rājūndra or of his reminiscences. But is there anything calling for an explanation? The ideal of ancient Indian monarchy was utthāna and vijigīṣā; the power of a king was held to be in proportion to the extent of territory conquered and the number of victorious raids led by him into foreign territory.

^{‡ 476} of 1911 (year 11) mentions it; records of the tenth year do not. The detailed account first appears in the twelfth year SII, i, 68; 467 of 1908.

[§] vv. 110, 118.

Note this surname of Rajendra.

the territory of that ornament to the Lunar race of kings; then he captured the vast treasures of Ranasūra and entered the land of Dharmapāla and subdued him also; thereby, he reached the Ganges and caused the water of the river to be brought by the conquered kings to his sovereign lord Madhurantaka, whom he met on the banks of the Godavari after conquering Mahīpāla and taking away his fame together with many precious jewels. Then the valourous Rajendra struck the evil-minded Otta king and his younger brother and forced from him a tribute of rutting elephants. Thereupon, after himself killing an elephant that charged him while he was seated on the back of another, the king returned to his own splendid capital. The Tamil prasasti records the same transactions, almost in the same order, but with much more detail, as follows: *

"(He seized) Śakkarakkōṭṭam, whose warriors were brave; Madura-maṇḍalam destroyed in a trice, † the prosperous city of Nā-maṇaik-kōṇam with its dense groves, ‡ Pañcap-paḷḷi whose warriors (bore) cruel bows, § Māśuṇi-dēśa with its green fields ¶; a large heap of family-treasures together with many (other) treasures (which he carried away), after having captured Indraratha of the ancient race of the moon, together with (his) family, in a fight which took place (at) Ādinagar, ‡ (a city)

See E1. in p. 233. The notes below explain the variations in my rendering.

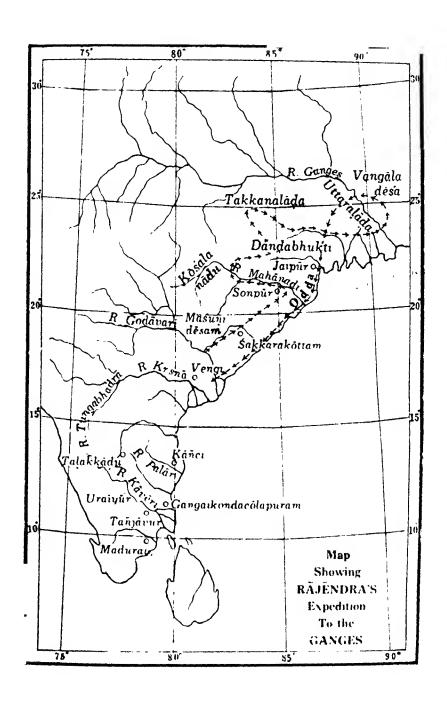
[†] Hultzsch has: "whose forts (bore) banners which (touched) the clouds, "which has no support from the text.

[†] The translation here is based on the reading in 176 of 1923: 'Kāmidai valanagar Nāmaṇaikkōṇamum.'

[§] Another form has 'venjina virar' for 'venjilai virar.'

[¶] Read: " pāśadaip-palana- māśuņi-dēśam" (SII. ii 20 l. 5 and p. 108) for 'pāśudaip-pala-nan-māśuņi-dēśam' (Hultzsch) of the Tirumalai rock; or translate " Māśuṇi-dēśa celebrated for fruits (amidst) green foliage."

Read: "Adi-nagar-vaiyir-candira" etc., where "vaiyin" is the locative case ending, not to be read 'nagaravaiyil' as has been done.



whose great fame knew no decline *; Oḍḍa-viṣaya which was difficult of approach on account of its dense forest defence †; the good Kōśalai-nāḍu, where Brahmins assembled; Taṇḍabutti, in whose gardens bees abounded, (land which he acquired) after having destroyed Dharmapāla (in) a hot battle; Takkaṇalāḍam, whose fame reached (all) directions, (and which he occupied) after having forcibly attacked Raṇaśūra; Vangāļa-dēśa, where the rain water never stopped, (and from which) Gōvindacandra fled, having descended (from his) male elephant; elephants of rare strength, women and treasure, (which he seized) after having been pleased to put to flight in a hot battle-field the strong Mahipāla ‡ together with Śangu who wore the anklet (of valour); Uttiralāḍam (on the shore of) the expansive ocean (producing) pearls; and the Gangā whose waters bearing fragrant flowers § dashed against the bathing places (tīrtha)."

The facts that Śakkarakkōṭṭam was the first place taken by Rājēndra's army in the course of this campaign and that the king met his victorious general on the banks of the Gōdāvari on his way back at the end of the campaign imply that the Vēngī kingdom retained under Rājēndra the same relation of close subordinate alliance with the Cōļa empire which it had held in Rājarāja's time.

This seems better for 'ayarvil van-kirtti Adinagar', than 'which was famous for unceasing abundance' (Ilultzsch).

^{† &#}x27; Milai' is a synonym for kāvarkādu'; Manimekalat, xxviii, 1. 25.

[‡] Read- "todu-kalan-cangu-vodadal Mayipālanai" (Tanjore S.H. ii 20 plate.) Hultzsch's talk of 'ear-rings, slippers and bracelets' of Mahīpāla is entirely out of place. Often also "todu-kadan-cangod-adal Mahīpālan" (478 of 1902), where 'šangu' may mean conch (šankha)

^{§ &#}x27; Verimalar' for 'veri-manal' in some copies.

Sakkarakköttam has been identified with Cakrakotya which finds mention in a Naga-Sakkarakvamśi copper-plate grant from Bastar köttam. dated A.D. 1065, and its modern representative is probably Citrakūṭa or Citrakoṭa, 8 miles from Rajapura where the copper-plates were found. Rājāpura, the capital of Bastar, is itself 22 miles north-west of Jagadalpur, on the bank of the Indravati river. * Sakkarakkottam and the places that follow up to Māśuni-dēśam have thus to be sought in the territory contiguous to the Vengi kingdom to the north-west of it. Māśuni-dēśam literally means the land of the snakes; the kings of the Chindaka family represented by the Rajapura plates, called themselves Nāga-vamso-dbhava (born of the Cobra race), and Bhogavati-pura-varēśvara (lord of Bhogavati, the best of cities); in a later stone inscription of Saka 1140, one of them is called Sri- bhujagavara-bhūṣaṇa-mahārājulu, † the māharāja who was the ornament of the race of the best of serpents. It is perfectly reasonable to suppose that by Māśuṇi-dēśam is meant the land ruled by these kings. On this assumption, Maduraimandalam, Nāmaņaikkoņam and Pancappalli must be sought in the same region and held to be parts of Māsuni-dēsam. It may be noted that Cakrakota is itself called a mandala ! like Madurai-mandalam, and that the donor of the Rajapura plates is called Madhurāntaka.

Of Indraratha of the lunar race, whose defeat at

Adinagar led to the surrender of the
Odda (Orissa) country and the (southern)
Kosala, nothing can be added to Kielhorn's suggestion § that he might be the same as the opponent of

^{*} El. ix pp. 178-9.

[†] ibid p. 163.

[‡] ibid p. 180, 1. 29.

[§] El. vii List p. 120 n. 3.

Bhoia of Dhara mentioned in the Udaipur inscription.* The Tamil inscription says that after the capture of Kōśalai-nādu, the Cōla general at-Dandabhukti. tacked and overthrew in order Dharmapāla of Dandabhukti, Ranasūra of southern Lāda and Govindacandra of Vangāla before he fought with Mahīpāla of Uttara-lāḍa and reached the Ganges. The Tiruvalangadu plates, on the other hand, state that the attack on Ranasūra preceded that on Dharmapāla, and that the overthrow of Dharmapala led the Cola general to the banks of the Ganges. They also imply that the conquest of Mahīpāla was achieved on the return march. Obviously, both these accounts cannot be true, and as a choice has to be made, the Tamil prasasti which was recorded almost immediately after the campaign must be accepted as the more authentic. On this basis, "most probably Dandabhukti was the march-land between Orissa and Bengal," † and its ruler Dharmapala, of whom we know nothing more than his name, may have been a relative of Mahīpāla, the powerful Pala ruler of Bengal at the time. The language of the Tamil inscription appears to suggest, # what seems likely even otherwise, that Mahīpāla had a sort of

^{*} Dr. S. K. Aiyangar says that 'Sādinagar of Tamil, hitherto read Ādinagar, Jāmagar of the Muhammadan historians,' is no other than Yāyātmagar, identified with Binka by Hiralal and said to have been founded by one of the early Kēsari kings of Orissa. (Gangar-koṇḍa-Cōļa p. 550). But he does not say how he gets his new reading Śādinagar. The Tirumalai rock inscription clearly has "vankīrtti-yādinagar" (EL ix p. 232, plate l. 8) and the Tamore record equally clearly "vankīrtti Ādinagar" (SIL ii plate 3, l. 5, end), "vankīrttiy-yādinagar" is often found (77, 78, 78 A of 1895) and vankīrtti Ayādinagar' in 171 of 1894—all of years 16 and 17. One may doubt also whether the rather colourless "pūšurar Ār" applied to Kōśalan-nāḍu is susceptible of bearing the interpretation put on it by Dr. Aiyangar who sees in it some of the consequences of the invasions of Muhammad of Ghazni (ibid).

⁺ R.I). Banerji - Palas of Bengal p. 71.

[‡] Contra R. D. Banerji: "The Tirumalai inscription of Rajendra Cola I shows that the ancient Gauda and Vanga had become divided into a large number of small kingdoms" (ibid. p. 69.)

supremacy over the other chiefs named in this context and that the overthrow of Dharmapāla, Raṇaśūra * and Gōvindacandra led to the final struggle in which Mahīpāla was captured together with another person called Sangu, perhaps his commander. Lāḍa (Rāḍhā) was the ancient name of a part of Bengal, which was bounded on the north by the Ganges, the divisions of Bengal across the river being known as Mithilā and Varēndra. † The conquest of Vangāļa apparently deflected the course of the Cōļa army a little to the east, and for the rest of it, its march was due North from the land of Southern Kōsala. ‡

There is nothing incredible in this record of an audacious raid into the northern countries ordered by Rājēndra and carried out so thoroughly by his dandanātha.

It is possible that small successes were magnified into great victories and that any reverses sustained were glozed over; it is certain that the statement of the Tirnvalangadu plates § that the water of the Ganges was carried to Rajendra by the defeated kings of the north at the bidding of the Cola general is a boast without foundation. But of the substantial correctness of the story in its essentials we can entertain no doubt whatever. Partly on account of his imperfect knowledge of the political geography of the period, and more on account of the embellishments introduced

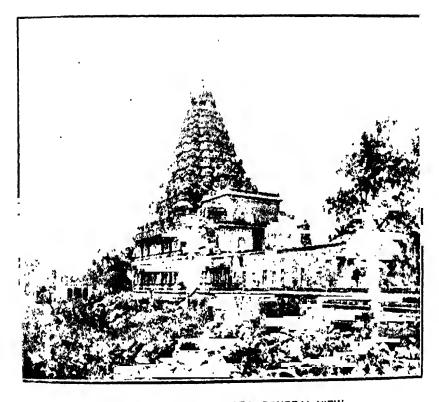
Its nature. into the story by his own imagination, Venkayya greatly underrated the

^{*} A Lakşmisura was samast-āţavika-sāmanta-cakra-cūdāmaņi in the teign of Rāmapāla, (ibid p. 72.)

[†] ibid. pp. 72-73; cf. Prabodha-candrodaya, Act ii, where we have: nūnam-ayam dakṣiṇarūḍha-pradīšū-dāgato-bhaviṣyati; and Gauḍam rūṣṭram-anuttamam nirupamā tatrāpi Kāḍhāpurī.

I See note A at the end of the chapter.

[§] vv. 117, 119.



GANGAIKONDA-COLESVARA-GENERAL VIEW.

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veracity of the inscriptions of Rajendra, and held that the expedition was nothing more than a pilgrimage to the Ganges. * Though the fetching of the water of the Ganges was perhaps present from the beginning as the object of the expedition, † the motive behind it was undoubtedly an exhibition of the power of the Cola empire and a demonstration of its strength to the rulers of Northern India. Such digvijayas were undertaken by all powerful monarchs in India and were enjoined upon them by the political code of the country. The aim of the expedition was then not merely getting down the water of the Ganges to the Cola capital, but doing so after establishing a right of way, so to say, across territories outside the empire by a strong show of force. This becomes clear from the statement that at the end of the expedition Rajendra erected a 'liquid pillar of victory' (jalamayam jayastambham) in his capital with the waters of the Ganges in the form

vasion of the great southern conqueror Rājēndra Cōla I," says R.D. Banerji, "seems to have left some permanent marks in Bengal. . . . Some obscure Karṇāṭa chief seems to have followed Rājēndra Cōla I and settled in western Bengal . . . From him was descended Sāmantasēna, who is generally taken to be the founder of the Sēna dynasty". § The

^{*} ASI. 1911-12 pp. 173-4. Venkayya makes a gratuitous assumption that the water of the Ganges was taken at Allahabad, and identifies Lāḍa with Berar. He says: "As we cannot imagine that all Northern India was conquered by Rājēndra Cēja's general in about a year, the only reasonable alternative seems to be that a few previously chosen tracts of country were actually invaded and if the inhabitants offered any resistance, a regular war was gone through. The names of the remaining territorial divisions with their rulers were ascertained and included in the list of kings overcome. . . . The exact course which these roving pilgrims followed in Northern India cannot be easily traced at present" (p. 174).

[†] v. 109 of the Tiruvālangādu plates.

¹ ibid v. 124.

[§] Palas of Bengal pp. 73, 99.

Karņātas of Mithilā probably had a similar origin. A commentary, of uncertain date, to the Siddhānta-sārāvaļi of Trilōcana Śivācārya mentions the fact that Rājēndra imported Śaivas from the banks of the Ganges into his own kingdom and established them in Kāñcīpura and in the Cōla country.*

Rājēndra's overseas expedition against Kaḍāram is mentioned for the first time in his inscriptions of the fourteenth year. † While the Tiruvālangāḍu plates dismiss this achievement in a half verse which merely records that the king conquered Kaṭāha with his powerful troops that had crossed the ocean, ‡ the Tamil praśasti gives a detailed narrative of the expedition and its course in the following words: §

- "(Who) having despatched many ships in the midst of the rolling sea and having caught Sangrāma-vijayōttunga-varman, the king of Kaḍāram, together with the elephants in his glorious army, ¶ (took) the large heap of treasures, which (that king)
- * Verse 111, end of Anantasambhu's gloss (Madras Mss Library). In two verses introduced by the glossator with the words 'atra pārreakathā-prasamgah,' Rājēndra is said to have himself gone to bathe in the Ganges. Krishna Sastri wrongly ascribes these statements to the Siddhāntasārāvaļi itself and suggests that the work was composed in Rājēndra's time and under his patronage. SII, iii introduction p. 22
- † 213 of 1911. I am not sure of the correctness of the date in a record from Majūr of the 13th year (EC. ix ep. 84) which also gives the full introduction. There is a fragment dated in the 11th year from Kurubūgu (Mysore) mentioning the conquest of Kadūram (EC. x ct. 47). But the date is obviously too early; perhaps an instance of a gift of the 11th year recorded some years later.

- § SII, ii p. 109. The notes that follow explain my differences with Hultzsch.
- The conjecture 'vākiyam' (p. 107 n. 5) does not help. The reading in other records 'vāgaiyam' is quite good, 'vāgai' victory, 'am' is expletive. Porukaḍal, 'fighting ocean' is a common expression for 'army'. 'Kumbakkari' means 'elephant with the kumba, the globular front.'

[‡] v. 123.

had rightfully accumulated; (captured) with noise the (arch called) Vidyādhara-tōraņa at the "war-gate" of his extensive city *; Śrī Vijaya† with the "jewelled wicket-gate" ‡ adorned with great splendour and the "gate of large jewels"; Paṇṇai with water in its bathing ghats §; the ancient Malaiyūr with the strong mountain for its rampart ¶; Māyiruḍingam, surrounded by the deep sea (as) by a moat; Ilangāśōka (i.e. Lankāśōka) undaunted (in) fierce battles; Māpappāļam having abundant (deep) water as defence; Mēviļimbangam, having fine walls as defence; Vaļaippandūru having viļappandūru (?) ¶; Talaittakkōlam praised by great men (versed in) in the sciences; Mādamālingam, firm in great and fierce battles; Ilāmuridēśam, whose fierce strength rose in war **; Mānakkavāram, in whose extensive flower gardens honey was collecting ††; and Kaḍāram, of fierce strength, which was protected by the deep ‡‡ sea.

- * Hultrsch has: 'extensive city of the enemy.' The Tanjore text 'ārttavanahanagar' can hardly give his meaning. I take it to be 'ārttu+avan+ahanagar'. The tempting suggestion of Coedes, that this and the following phrases may be attributes of Srīvişaya (BEFEO, xviii No. 6 p. 5 n. 1) has been partly accepted by me.
 - † See El. ix p. 231.
 - I ' Pudavam' is a 'small gate-way' in a larger door, a wicket.
- § 'Pannai' means 'cultivated land' (maruda-nilam). There may after all be no proper name here, but only 'the well-watered fields' of Srī Vijaya.
- ¶ This translation seems more literal than '(with) a fort situated on a high hill ' for "van-malai-ureyil."
- il 'Possessing (both), cultivated land (?) and jungle 'Hultzsch. Though 'Mru' means 'low jungle,' the meaning of the whole phrase is by no means clear.
- * Was subdued by a vehement (attack), Hultzsch. The text is kalāmudir kadundiral' which means that the fierce strength (kadundiral) increased (mudir) in fighting or war (kalām).
- †† "Whose flower gardens (resembled) the girdle (of the nymph) of the southern region," Hultzsch. Though I am not sure how this curious translation was reached by liultzsch, I suspect that he took the phrase "Mnakkavārpolil" to be composed of 'ten+nakkan+vār+polil', and even so the translation is forced. In truth it is tēn+nakka+vār+polil, the terms meaning respectively 'honey', 'laughing' 'long' and 'flower-garden.'
- "'' 'Todu-kadal' is rendered by Hultzsch into 'the neighbouring sea.'
 But 'todu' in the sense of 'touch' is a late form; and 'todu-kadal' is a classic phrase containing an allusion to the story of the sea being dug out by the sons of Sagara; todu' means 'to dig.'

No clearer measure can be required of the progress made in our knowledge of South Progress Indian history during the last generain its elucidation. tion than the difference between what was known of this expedition before and what we make of it now. (The text of Rajendra's inscription was recovered and published in 1891 * by Hultzsch. The larger Leyden grant had been known already for some years, and Hultzsch recognised at once in Sangrāma-vijayōttunga-varman of Rājēndra's inscription, a successor of Mara-vijayottunga-varman of Katāha or Kidāram of the Leyden grant. But his search for this place extended no further than the southern districts of the Madras Presidency, and strangely enough, as it now appears, he overlooked the facts that Rājēndra's expedition was a naval war and that the Pandya country had been conquered and subjected to the Cola sway several years before the date of this expedition; and he identified Kidaram with the "headquarters of a talluqa of the Rammad zamindari in the Madura district. †" Even as late as 1903, though a great advance had been made by him from his original position, Hultzsch was still far from the mark when he said: # "Of the numerous places which are mentioned in connection with this expedition, Mr. Venkayya has identified two, viz., Nakkavaram and Pappalam. The former is the Tamil name of the Nicobar islands, § and according to the Mahāvamsa (lxxvi, 63) Papphāla was a port in Ramañña, i.e., the Talaing country of Burma. Hence Kadaram will have to be looked for in farther India." / For

^{*} SII. 11, 20.

[†] ibid p. 106.

[‡] SII. iii p. 195.

[§] This had been noted in Hobson-Jobson. BEFEO. xviii 6. p. 6, n. 5.

some years thereafter, Rajendra's expedition was held to have been directed against the kingdom of Pegu. and the archaeologists of Burma even announced their discovery of two octagonal granite pillars near Pegu, which were identified by them "with the Jayastambha or pillars of victory set up by Rājēndra Cola who overran Pegu in 1025-27 A. D." It was only in 1918 that Coedes brought together in his cogent and lucid paper Le Royaume de Śrī Vijaya † evidence accumulated along various lines by several years of study on the part of many scholars, discussed fully the identification of the places mentioned in connection with Rajendra's campaign, and laid the basis for intelligible account of it. The Archaeological Department of Burma, though at first inclined to be rather critical of Coedes' scheme, # later acknowledged its substantial accuracy by removing the celebrated granite pillars from the list of the protected monuments of Burma. §

One fact to which Hultzsch himself drew pointed attention has sometimes escaped the notice of later authors who have discussed this campaign. It is that the inscription clearly implies that all the places named were taken from the king of Kaḍāram and in the course of a single campaign. In the words of Coedes: ¶ "The text says in effect that Rājēndra Cōla I, after having vanquished the king of Kaḍāram,

^{*} ARB. 1908, paragraph 25.

[†] BEFEO. xviii No. 6. The extensive Researches (1909) of Gerini (Asiatic Society Monographs vol. 1), also deserves grateful acknowledgement from all students of the historical geography of Eastern Asia.

[‡] ARB. 1919, paragraphs. 46-47.

[§] ibid. 1922, paragraph. 14.

⁹ op. cit. p. 5.

seized his treasures, then a certain number of countries and lastly Kadāram. It is a question, then, of one and the same campaign, and it is a priori infinitely probable that the different countries enumerated must have been either vassal states of the king of Kadāram, or even simply the different towns or provinces of his kingdom." Once this is recognised, the identification of the different places mentioned would be rendered easier by that of Kadāram and Śrī Vijaya, the two places ruled by the same king in the reign of Rājarāja, and conquered by Rājēndra from Sangrāma-vijayōttunga-varman.

"Now, the annals of the Song (dynasty of China) mention, in 1003 and 1008, two embassies from the country of San-fo-tsi, the first sent by the king Ssen-li-tehon-lo-wou-ni-fo-ma-tiao-houa and the second by the king Ssen-li-ma-lo-pi. It is not necessary to be a sinologue

Sseu-li-ma-lo-pi. It is not necessary to be a sinologue to recognise in the first name a magnificent transcription of Śrī-Cūļāmaṇi-varmadēva, and in the second the transcription of the first syllables of Śrī-Māra-vijayōttunga-varman" * (Coedes). As these two monarchs are exactly those mentioned in the larger Leyden grant, we may conclude that the kings of the San-fo-tsi of the Chinese annals were the rulers of Kadāram and Śrī Vijaya. San-fo-tsi was first used by the Chinese writers of the Song period for the place

called Che-li-fo-che or Fo-che in the earlier.

called Che-li-fo-che or Fo-che in the earlier literature of China; all Chinese writers have identified this name with Palembang, on the eastern coast of Sumatra. And Coedes has shown good reason for restoring the name

[•] The Chinese habit of abridging foreign names, especially when they are long, is well-known.

San-fo-tsi, Che-li-fo-che, into Śrī Vijaya, rather than the usual but meaningless form Śrībhoja. * Śrī Vijaya. It thus becomes clear that Śrī Vijaya, which is the first among the places taken by Rajendra from the king of Kadaram, is the name of the kingdom of Palembang in Sumatra. The great part played by this kingdom from about the eighth to the thirteenth century A.D. in the affairs of the Malay peninsula and Archipelago, and the relations of Southern India with this important kingdom still await full elucidation. The epigraphs of Rajendra's reign which narrate his invasion of Kadaram and Śri Vijava furnish much welcome information on the affairs of the kingdom at the beginning of the eleventh century. Writing towards the close of the twelfth century A. D. or the beginning of the thirteenth, † Chau Ju-kua gives a list of fifteen chou (provinces or towns) over which the rule of San-fo-tsi extended; ‡ and as Coedes has observed, there is a partial coincidence between this list and that of Rajendra's inscriptions. § The identification of Kadaram presents more difficulty; this may be discussed after we have dealt with the other places.

In the prasasti of Rājēndra the name mentioned after Śrī Vijaya is Paṇṇai which has been identified with Pani or Panei on the East Coast of Sumatra. ¶ Ancient Malaiyūr was a principality "at the southern end of the Malay peninsula, and precisely on the northern shore of the Old Singapore Strait where, besides the Malāyu river, time-worn traditions of

[•] op. cit. pp. 23-4. See also Ferrand, L'Empire Sumatranais de Sri Vijaya JA. 1922, pp. 163 ff.

[†] Hirth and Rockhill, Chau Ju-kua p. 35; Coedes, op. cit. p 13.

[‡] pp. 60-2. § op. cit. p. 25. ¶ Gerini, Researches p. 513.

a Malaya country and people confront the enquirer."* As for Mayirudingam which had the Mayirudingam. deep sea for its moat, this place is quite obviously the same as Ji-lo-ting mentioned by Chau Ju-kua among the dependencies of Śrī Vijaya. author also states that Ji-lo-ting and The same Kia-lo-hi "are of the same kind" as Tan-ma-ling. † Coedes has proved by decisive epigraphical evidence that Kia-lo-hi is the same place as Grahi at Jaiya and that consequently Ji-lo-ting (Yi-ru-dingam) which formed one of the northern dependencies of Śrī Vijaya must be sought somewhere in the region of Jaiya towards the centre of the Malay peninsula. # Ilangasokam has been very properly identified with Ling-

ya-sseu-kia of Chau Ju-kua's list of dependencies, and its locality was to the south of the state of Kedah in the Malay peninsula. § Māpappāļam, as was shown by Venkayya, is men-

tioned in the Mahāvamsa ¶ under the name Papphāļama, ∥ as the place where the Tamil general Ādicca landed when he was sent on an expedition against Rāmaññadēśa by Parākramabāhu I of Ceylon about 1165 A. D. From this Venkayya concluded that Māpappāļam must be a place

^{*} ibid. pp. 533-4. Coedes (p. 9.) leaves the question undecided whether Malaiyur was on the Eastern or Western Coast of Sumatra or in the South of the Malay peninsula, and observes that, in any case, it must have been a state near Palembang which, according to I-tsing, annexed Malayu between 672 and 705 A.D. (also Gerini pp. 530-1.)

⁺ Chau Ju-kua p. 67.

[‡] Coedes op. cit. pp. 10-11; 33-6. Dr. S. K. Aiyangar says: " Māyiru-dingam may be Besinga (Rṣi Śṛnga), the modern Rangoon" (op. cit. p. 576). Contra. Gerini-pp. 76-7. We cannot, of course, go so far afield for finding Māyirudingam.

[§] Coedes, op. cit. pp. 11-13.

[¶] Geiger, CV. ch. 76, v. 63.

[#] ARE. 1898-9 paragraph 47; ARB. 1909-10, p. 14, paragraph 40.

in the Talaing country of Lower Burma, and he has been followed by other writers who have proceeded to make other identifications on this basis. * In fact it seems at first sight that this mention of Pappalam in an expedition against Rāmaññadēśa violently contradicts the assumption that all the places captured by Rājēndra were dependent on Palembang and within easy reach of it. Coedes, however, draws attention to the fact that the long list of the grievances which Parākramabāhu had against the ruler of Rāmañña ends with his capture by force of a Singhalese princess whom the ruler of Lanka had sent to the Kambhoja country; † and suggests that "as it is infinitely probable that the messengers going from Ceylon to Kāmbhōja passed by the isthmus of Kra, it is in this region that the abduction (of the princess) must have been committed, and consequently, the authority of the king of Pagan might have extended so far." # In the beginning of the eleventh century, however, the suzerainty of Palembang extended up to the Bay of Bandon, and there is no difficulty therefore in assuming that Mapappalam was a locality in the region of the istlimus of Kra, though its exact identity cannot now be made out. In any event, the presence, among the conquests of Rajendra Cola I, of a locality which became part of Pegu in the 12th century, is not

^{*} E.g. Kadaram with (Sri)-khettara, ancient Prome (Kanakasabhai); Madamahingam with Martaban (Smith); cf. Coedes op. cit. p. 6.

[†] Geiger, CV. (ii p. 67) ch. 76 v. 35.

[‡] Coedes, pp. 14-5. The argument has been advanced (ARB. 1919 paragraph 47) that Pappalam and Kusumi, the two ports mentioned in the Mahāvamsa account of the Ceylonese expedition against Ramañāadēša must both be identified together; and that as Kusumi is clearly Bassien, the former must be either Dagan or Rangoon, the neighbouring port. This argument clearly underrates the express statement in the Mahāvamsa that the fleet was scattered by a storm and that different parts of it drifted to different ports (Ch. 76 vv. 56, 59, 63), which need not have been adjacent.

sufficient to invalidate the identification of these conquests with the vassal states of Palembang. Mēvilimbangam and Vaļaippandūru * do not lend them-

Talaittakkōlam. Selves to any identification at present. Talaittakkōlam, most probably the same place as Takkōla of the Milinda-Paūha and Takōla of Ptolemy, is localised by Gerini in the modern Takōpa district south of the isthmus of Kra and identified with its chief town, also called Takōpa. † Others are inclined to locate it somewhat higher up, in the isthmus itself; in any case, there is general agreement that it is a place on the West Coast of the Malay peninsula. Mā-Damālingam, firm in battle, can easily

be recognised in the name Tan-ma-Ma-Damalingam. ling, which figures in Chan Ju-kua's list of the dependencies of San-fo-tsi. The same authority says: ‡ Ling-ya-sseu-kia(llangāśōkam) "can be reached from Tan-ma-ling by sailing six days and nights; there is also an overland route (between the two countries)". Gerini identifies Tan-ma-ling with Temiling or Tembeling at the mouth of the Kwantan river in Pahang, on the East coast of the Malay peninsula; § on this identification the learned translators of Chan Ju-kua observe: "As our author states that a land route existed between Tan-ma-ling and Ling-ya-ssi-kia, which we have good reason to believe was about Kedalı on the West coast of the peninsula, it seems safe to conelude that Tan-ma-ling cannot have been very far from where Gerini has located it." Blagden points out,

^{*} Mëvilimbangam is sought in Perak by Roussaer, and in Karmaranga (Kalasapura) by Levi. The tormer also identifies Valaippanduru with Panduranga in Campa. Krom observes: "All these conjectures depend on our opinions, not on sufficient grounds." See Krom Hindoe-Javansche-Geschiedenis pp. 251-2.

[†] Coedes, p. 15; Researches p. 93, Sylvain Levi Ptolemi, le Niddeia et la Brhatkatha in Etudes Asiatiques ii.

[‡] Chau Ju-kua p. 68. § ibid. pp. 67-8 n. 1, JRAS. 1905 p. 498.

as against this view, that six days would be rather a short time for sailing between Kedah and Kwāntan considering the weak monsoon of the straits of Malacca; Coedes overcomes the difficulty by supposing that the country of Tāmralinga or Lankāśuka or perhaps both occupied the peninsula in all its width

and faced the gulf of Siam as well as the Straits. * Ilāmuridēśam is quite obviously the country in the northern part of the island of Sumatra, known to Arab geographers under the name Lamuri, called Lambri by Marco Polo, and figuring as Lamwon-li in Chau Ju-kua's enumeration

of the subject states of San-fo-tsi. Mānakkavāram, it is equally clear, applies to the Nicobars. This discussion of the place names mentioned in the campaign against the king of Kaḍāram distinctly points to the conclusion that the campaign of Rājēndra was directed against the Sumatran Empire of Śrī Vijaya and its dependencies in the Malay peninsula and Archipelago.

We have, however, still to explain why the king ruling over the empire is called the king of Kaḍāram and to locate it. This is a place which is mentioned under the name of Kaṭāha in Sanskrit Literature and epigraphy, † and of Kaḍāram or Kiḍāram in the Kalingattupparaṇi besides

^{*} Op. cit. pp. 16-18. The name Tamralinga which Coedes obtains from a Sanskrit inscription from Jaiya (ibid p. 32) is near enough to Tan-ma-hing and Tamalingam, or Tamalingam, and there should be no difficulty in accepting the view that all the three forms are variants of the same name. Coedes' suggest.on that the Tamil name might be read 'Tamaralingam' (p. 17) is therefore unnecessary; it is inadmissible as 'Mādamālingam, (or Mādamalingam) alliterates with the first half of the line 'titamāvalvinai' in the Tamil inscriptions, and the sound 'ra' is, by the rules of Tamil prosody, quite impossible in the second half of the line.

[†] Tawney's Kathūsaritsūgara, i 87, 92, 552; ii 44, 598 where Kaṭāha is called an island; and the Leyden grant.

the Leyden grant (Tamil part) and Rajendra's inscriptions. The Kalingattupparani clearly states that Kadāram was laved by the waves of the ocean. * The word Kalagam in the Pattinappalai, according to the commentator Naccinārkkiniyar, designates the country known as Kadaram, † an interpretation which has the sanction of old lexicons like the Pingalam. From these references to Kadaram, especially the one in the Pattinappālai, we may conclude that it was an important port on the ocean route along which the trade between India and the East passed. "Now there is a country," says Coedes, ‡ "known to the Chinese of which the name seems to correspond very well with Kataha, that is, Kie-tch'a where I-tsing stayed on two occasions." The same place is called in later Chinese works Kie-t'o. These different names represent phonetically and geographically the modern Kedah, on the west coast of the Malay peninsula. Ancient Kedah would appear to have been more to the south than modern Kedah which as has been shown above was occupied by Lankasuka. At any rate, a study of I-tsing's itineraries proves to us that Kie-tch'a was the last stage in Malay before the pilgrim started to cross the Bay of Bengal on his outward voyage, and, inversely, the first place he touched after crossing the Bay on his return from India. In this fact is perhaps to be found the

^{*} vv. 138, 189,

[†] Pattuppūttu p. 550 (3rd Edn.). Skt. Kaṭāha and Tamil Kaḍāram are, as pointed out by Coedes (op. cit. p. 20; also Ferrand, JA. 1922 pp 50-1), semantically related, and mean "a copper cauldron"; Tam. Kaḍāram has also the sense of "brown colour bordering on the black", and Kālagam the sense of "blackness". Apparently this synonymity has induced Naccinārkkiniyar and the lexicographers to gloss Kālagam by Kaḍāram. Kaḍāram and Kiḍāram are evidently different readings of the same toponym; they have, however, no phonetic connection with Kaṭāha or with Kālagam.

¹ op. sit. pp. 20-2.

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explanation for the Colas calling the ruler of Śrī Vijaya the king of Kadāram. For if, as seems most probable, Kadāram was at the time a dependency of Śrī-Vijaya, and if it was also the first place which the Tamils touched in their passage into that kingdom, nothing could be more natural for them than to describe the ruler of the country as the king of Kadāram. And this port was then from a commercial point of view enjoying the same importance which the port of Penang is gaining in the same region to-day. *

Why was this expedition against the king of Kadāram undertaken and what were its effects? As we can get no direct answer to these questions from contemporary records, we have to depend on the probabilities suggested by the known and relevant facts. The view that the overseas invasion was a continuation of the war for the complete subjugation of Kalingam † obtains no support from the records of Rājēndra's reign. That the Cōla empire of South India was in constant communication with the islands of the Archipelago and

^{*} Ferrand says that Kadāram, Katāha and Kālagam cannot represent Kedah on the W. coast of the Malay peninsula (JA. 1922 p. 51). "Geographically," he says, "Kadāram and Kidāram are situated in Sumatra according to Tamil texts," and he cites the authority of the Pāndya inscriptions 588 of 1916 and 356 of 1906 as summed up in the epigraphical reports. These texts by no means imply anything more than that the king of Šāvakam was also the king of Kadāram in the thirteenth as in the eleventh century. The political position of Šrī Vijaya and Kadāram in relation to Jaiya in the thirteenth century has been dealt with by Coedes in Bijdragen Tot de Taal Land etc. Deel 83 (1927) pp. 459 6 in the paper "A propos de la chute Du Koyaume de Šrī Tijaya," where he reiterates his view that Kadāram is Kedah. Though Ferrand was inclined in 1922 (JA. p. 51) to locate Kadāram in the south of Sumatra or on its East coast, it must be mentioned that he left the question open as he himself felt the weakness of the texts he relied on. Gerini's brief discussion (at p. 833 of his Researches) on which Dr. S. K. Alyangar bases his identification of Kadāram with Kerti on the N. E. coast of Sumatra (Gangaikonda Cōla pp. 568 ff.) has now been superseded.

[†] S. K. Aiyangar, op. cit. pp. 566; 571.

with China in this period is very clear. The construction of the Cūdamaņi-vihara in Negapatam by Māra-vijayottunga-varman of the Sailendra dynasty of Śrī-Vijaya could not have been an isolated undertaking all by itself, but one of the normal results of a growing intercourse between the Eastern islands and South India for purposes of trade. As in ancient times, this trade was part of a flourishing maritime commerce between the countries of the Western world and China, in which Arabs, Indians and the people of the Malay peninsula and Archipelago acted as intermediaries. At the end of the tenth century A. D. * the Chinese government awoke to the value of the foreign trade which was just then reviving after a long interruption owing to the troubles which broke out in China in the latter part of the 9th century, and with the object of increasing this trade "a mission was sent abroad by the Emperor with credentials under the imperial seal and provisions of gold and piece-goods to induce 'the foreign traders of the South Sea and those who went to foreign lands beyond the sea to trade' to come to China." It must have been in response to such friendly invitations that the kings of Śrī Vijaya sent the embassies of the years 1003 and 1008 A.D. to which we have already made reference. The annals of the Song dynasty record that the first mission to China from Chu-lien (Cola) reached that country in A. D. 1015 and state that the king of their country was Lo-ts'a-lo-ts'a (Rājarāja), which is correct as Rājarāja lived up to 1016 A. D. or thereabout. † Another embassy

^{*} Hirth and Rockhill-Chan Ju-kua pp. 18-9.

[†] Gerini-Researches p. 609 n. 2 unduly abridges the length of Räjaräja's reign to 985-1002 and imagines difficulties which do not exist. Even if Räjaräja's reign did not extend beyond the 29th year (1014), the embassy to China may have left in his life-time and reached China in the succeeding year after some delay en route in the Malay region. See also Chan In-kna p. 100.

from Shi-lo-lo-cha Yin-to-lo-chu-lo (Śrī Rāja Indra Cōļa) reached China in 1033 A. D., and a third in 1077 A. D. from Kulōttunga-Cōļa-Dēva. The commercial intercourse between southern India and China was therefore continuous and extensive. Writing in the latter half of the twelfth century, Cou-ku-fei states of San-fo-ts'i (Śrī-Vijaya): * "It is the most important port-of-call on the sea-routes of the foreigners, from the countries of Sho-po (Java) on the east and from the countries of the Ta-shi (Arabs) and Ku-lin (Quilon) on the west; they all pass through it on their way to China."

At the date of Rajendra's expedition (c. 1025 A.D.) therefore, well over a quarter of a century must have elapsed from the renewal of active trade with the East consequent on the increased energy of the Cola empire under Rājarāja and the improved conditions in China, and knowledge about the Malay country and Archipelago must have been common in the Cola country. The larger Leyden grant, by stating † that after his father's death Rajendra confirmed in perpetuity the original grant of Anaimangalam to the Cūdāmaņi-vihāra in Negapatam, clearly implies that in the beginning of Rajendra's reign the relations of the Cola kingdom with Kadaram and Śrī Vijayam continued to be friendly. We have no means of deciding the exact cause of a quarrel, if there was one. We have to assume either some attempt on the part of Śrī Vijaya to throw obstacles in the way of the Cola trade with the East, or more probably, a simple desire on the part of Rajendra to extend his digvijaya to the countries across the sea so well-known to his subjects at home, and thereby add lustre to his crown. Whatever the actual cause of the expedition, it is difficult to

^{*} Cited Chau Ju-kua p. 63.

[†] ASSI. iv. p. 208 11. 86-88.

believe that, even if all the facts narrated in the inscriptions of Rajendra are accepted as literally true, the campaign led to any more permanent result than a vague acknowledgement of the suzerainty of the invader on the part of Sangrama-Vijayottunga-varman. We shall see later that one of the successors of Rājēndra, Vīrarājēndra I, claims to have conquered Kadaram and restored it to its ruler who supplicated for it before the conqueror. In any case, there is no evidence to show that the Colas made any attempt to rule these lands as provinces of their empire. * At best, they might have received a periodical tribute. The fragmentary Tamil inscription in Sumatra dated 1088 A. D. † proves only the presence of Tamil merchants in the island, a fact even otherwise wellestablished.

By a tacit assumption, the rest of Rājēndra's reign, which lasted for about twenty years after the campaign against Kaḍāram, has been treated by modern writers as an era of unbroken peace. ‡

A careful study of the inscriptions of his sons, especially of Rājādhirāja I, shows, however, that the empire did not enjoy such unbroken peace and that

there was much fighting in different parts of it carried on by his sons. It is conceivable that after the diquijana

of his early years was completed and his greatness in war proclaimed to the world beyond peradventure, the emperor refrained in his later years from taking the field in person, allowing his sons every chance of winning distinction and glory for themselves.)There

e cf. Coedes, op, cit. p. 8.

[†] ARE, 1892 p. 12.

[†] Dr. S. K. Aiyangar Ancient India p. 108; Gangaikonda Cola; S.II. iii. Intr. p. 21.

is in existence one record, which is unique, of Rājēndra himself to which attention may be drawn, * and which, if it is genuine, may be taken to confirm some of the inferences drawn from the early records of Rājādhirāja. (In any case, the records of Rājādhirāja dated before his twenty-seventh year fall clearly within the reign of Rājēndra I, and a study of Rājēndra's reign will not be complete without some account of the transactions recorded in these inscriptions.)

Rebellions in the Pāṇḍya and Kēraļa kingdoms called for severe action, and the extensive campaign undertaken by Rājādhirāja for the suppression of these risings is described in the following terms: †

"Among the three allied kings of the South (Pāṇḍyas ‡) (he) cut off on a battle-field the beautiful head of Mānābharaṇan, (which was adorned with) large jewels (and) which was inseparable from the golden crown; seized in battle Vīra-Kēraļan whose ankle-rings were wide, and was pleased to get him

^{* 118} of 1888 (SII. iv 223) dated in the 24th year and found in Cidambarum. This record is curious in many ways and needs rather cautions handling. It starts in the usual manner, tiru manni valura etc., and follows the regular form up to takkana-ladamum in the narrative of the Ganges campaign. At this point, the praineti takes a new turn, and what follows in this record is found almost word for word in some of the later records (e.g. 87 of 1895) of Rajendra II, the second son of Rajendra I and successor to Rajadhiraja. We may be tempted to assume that Rajendia It's record borrowed the expression from his father's Cidambaram prainsti which comitted the latter half of the usual form and substituted an account of the events of the second part of the king's reign. The beginning tiru manni valara and the high regnal year, 24, of this record favour this supposition. But there are difficulties. The king is called Rajakesan, a title which neither of the two Rajendias had; the new portion does not fit in well with the first part of the old prasadi reproduced here. This record is doubtless a copy of an earlier original, made in the reign of Kulottunga III. (See beginning of 117 of 1888, S.II. iv 222). After all, some mistake might have occurred in the re-engraving and the records of two reigns might have been jumbled up.

[†] SII. iil. p. 56. I have altered Hultzach's translation at some points.

[‡] Though "tennavar" may mean Pāṇdyas it seems possible that here it means only "kings of the South," an alliance between Ceylon (Mānābharaṇa) (SII, iii 29, 1. 13), Kēraļa and Pāṇdya being meant.

trampled by his furious elephant Attivāraņa; and drove to the ancient Mullaiyūr, Sundara Pāṇḍyan of endless great fame, who lost in a hot battle the royal white parasol, the bunches (of hairs) of the white yak, and the throne, and who ran away,—his crown dropping down, (his) hair dishevelled and (his) feet tired. (He) sent the undaunted king of Vēṇāḍu to the country of heaven and destroyed in anger the Senior (chief) of Irāmakuḍam. * While the strong Villavan (Cēra), in his terror † hid himself in the jungle, (the Cōļa) put on a fresh (garland of) Vaṇji flower, ‡ and forthwith destroyed the ships at Kāndaļūr-śālai on the never-decreasing ocean."

The exact date of this invasion of the Pāṇḍya and Kēraļa countries is unknown. As there are no Pāṇḍyan inscriptions of this period, we have only the story as given by the victors, and lack the means of checking it from independent sources. Strangely enough, none of the numerous Cōļa-Pāṇḍya inscriptions of the period throws any light on these transactions. Sundara Pāṇḍya was perhaps the chief of the whole confederacy which organised the rebellion. §)

In the course of this expedition, on his way from the Pāṇḍya country to Kāndaļūr, and most probably as a result of his successful attack on the king of Vēṇād whom he 'sent to heaven,' Rājādhirāja is said to have liberated the king of the Kūpakas, a local chieftain of south Travancore, from his bondage apparently to the ruler of Vēṇād. ¶

At the time of this expedition, the country of Kēraļa was in the same political condition in which it was found centuries afterwards by the Portuguese and

^{*} This event is omitted in some records e.g., 6 of 1890. Hultzsch translates differently; but see ARE. 1930 II 46.

[†] Lit. " was attacked by pains in the bowels."

I The symbol of an aggressive invasion.

[§] PK. p. 113. ¶ 75 of 1895, ARE, 1918 II. 26.

the Dutch. It was cut up into a number of petty principalities which, with their endless feuds and alliances, more or less formed a world Müşaka kings. apart. Irāmakudam, or more accurately Ramaghata, was one of these principalities which centred round Mt. D'Eli, the mūsaka hill or Eli-malai (rat-hill), and ruled over by the Mūṣaka kings whose annals form the subject-matter of the $K\bar{a}vya$ called Mūsakavamsam. * According to the legend recorded in this work, a certain Kşatriya prince, born and brought un in secret after Parasurama's great war on the Ksatriyas, was produced before Parasurāma, when in the course of a sacrifice performed by him in Mount Eli, he was on the look out for a Ksatriya for performing a rite which was an essential part of the sacrifice and had to be performed only by a Ksatriya. prince was afterwards made king of the Mūṣaka country by Parasurama who crowned him after an abhisēka with pots (ghaja, kudam) of water; hence the name of the family-Ramaghata, or Iramakudam in Tamil. A Vatteluttu record † of the eleventh century recently discovered in the neighbourhood of Eli-malai is dated in the fifty-ninth regnal year of a Mūsaka king, Kandan Karivarman alias Ramakuda Muvar Tiruvadi; the inscription also mentions Rajendrasola - samaiya - senapati. Most probably this Muvar Tiruvadi was the ruler against whom Rajadhiraja's expedition was directed.

The presence of the traditional rulers of the

Pāṇḍya and Kēraļa countries long
after the Cōļa conquest of these areas,
and the capacity they retained for
making trouble for their suzerain in the face of
powerful viceroys, deserve attention as proof of the

^{*} TAS. ii 87 ff; JRAS. 1922 pp. 161 ff.

^{+ 523} of 1930.

comparatively mild character of Cola imperialism which was in conformity with the precepts of the arthasāstras on the policy that a conqueror should adopt towards conquered countries.

In some of the early inscriptions * of Rajadhiraja, he is said to have invaded Ceylon after Ceylon. the victory at Kāndalūr-śālai and to have beheaded "the king of Lanka, the Vallava (wearing) a garland, and the lord of Kannakucci (Kanouj)". The same fact is mentioned in the curious record of Rajendra I with the double prasasti from Cidambaram, in which Vīrasalāmēgha is said to have been caught and slain by Rajendra in the course of a campaign in Ceylon. It is quite possible that this campaign of Rājādhirāja was conducted in his father's life-time, and was described with greater elaboration in his later records. † But as the dates of the two records of Rajadhiraja cited at the beginning of this paragraph, ‡ and the authenticity of the Cidambaram inscription of Rajendra are not beyond cavil, and as one other record of Rajadhiraja, & definitely of his twentyseventh year, does not mention the Ceylon war, it seems best to reserve discussion of this campaign till the reign of Rajadhiraja. We shall see, however, that according to the chronology of the Mahāvamsa, some of the incidents of Rājādhirāja's Ceylon war, at least those connected with the Singhalese king Vikramabahu I, must have taken place before the death of Rajendra Cola I. The war itself dragged on into the reign of Rājādhirāja and even his brother Rājēndra II apparently took some part in its closing stages.

^{* 172} of 1894; 92 of 1892.

⁺ SII. iii. 28.

^{‡ 92} of 1892-date lost; 172 of 1894 dated (2)6, the first figure being doubtful.

^{§ 54} of 1893.

Another war had to be waged against the Western
Calukyas by Rajadhiraja, and of this
War against
war we have several detailed accounts

War against Calukya Xhavamalla. war we have several detailed accounts in his inscriptions which supplement one another and give a fair idea of the

course of the campaign. This war, which was directed against Ahavamalla, must have occurred sometime after 1042 A.D., the last known date for Jayasimha II, * and consequently in the last years of Rajendra's reign. We have seen that after the battle of Musangi (c. 1021 A.D.), Jayasimha II made himself master of the Raichur doab and reached the Tungabhadra. In the remaining twenty years or so of his reign, he seems to have been left alone by Rajendra who was engaged in other directions. Some inscriptions in the Bellary district † show that Jayasimha II even crossed the Tungabhadra in the period and annexed parts of the Bellary district to his dominions after displacing the Cola control over the tract. One of his vassals, Jagadēkamalla Udayāditya Noļamba Pallava Perumanadi, claims in A. D. 1033 to have ruled the Nolamba-vadi 32000 among other districts; ‡ this seems to be an exaggeration, if it is not a mere repetition of a traditional title of the Nolambas. after the long interval during which the Calukyas were left free to pursue their plans, and after the accession of Trailokymalla Ahavamalla Somesvara I, the Cola monarch might have felt the need for a fresh assertion of his supremacy; or possibly there were some specific causes for a fresh war of which we have no knowledge and which came to a head soon after Someśvara's accession. Whatever that may be, Somesvara had to face a fresh Cola invasion into his territory led by Rajadhiraja; one set of Cola inscriptions state that, in

[•] Fleet DKD. p. 436.

[†] Rangachari-Bellary 185, 229, 285.

^{1 253} of 1918.

the war that followed, the Cola forces * overwhelmed the Calukya army and killed its leaders Gandappayya and Gangadhara together with a large number of elephants; that the celebrated warriors Vikki and Vijayaditya were forced to retreat like cowards along with Sangamayya; and that a vast amount of treasure, horses and elephants fell into the hands of the Colas, who set fire to the city of Kollippākkai. Vikki and Vijayaditya were no doubt the sons of Somēsvara, who afterwards became Vikramāditya VI and Visnuvardhana-Vijayaditya. Other records of the same period † give more details of this campaign of Rajadhiraja. They mention 'a hot battle at Pundi with (the) swelling waters' in which Viccaya # fled in fear, abandoning his father and mother to the mercies of the Cola army; when Ahavamalla, in his fear, sent messengers (for opening negotiations), they were rudely handled by the Cola and were forced to carry on their persons inscriptions proclaiming the flight of Ahavamalla in fear; then, followed by his forces, the Cola took his herd of elephants for bathing them in the three bathing ghats (turai), Siruturai, Perundurai and the Daivabhīmakasi, and engraved the emblem of the fierce tiger on hills marked by the boar sign of the enemy, and planted the pillar of victory; § he played games ¶ with the kings who prostrated themselves at his feet, and raised aloft the banner of charity with that of the tiger, distributing among the needy the ancient treasures captured from the enemy; he then defeated several

^{*} Hultzsch says that the Cölu forces were led by a commander named Këvudan; but I am not sure of the text here. See e.g. 54 of 1893 and 6 of 1890.

^{+ 172} of 1894 (Yr. 26); 92 of 1892 (n. d.) SII. v 465; iv 539.

I This could not have been Vijayaditya.

[&]amp; cf. Kalingattupparani vili, 26.

The expression used is 'sendādi'—some game with a ball seems to be meant.

leaders of enemy forces such as the Nulumba, Kālidāsa, Camunda, Kommayya and the Villavaraja, beheaded the Gurjara king, sparing only those who sought his protection and restoring to them their diadems and their positions. At this point some records * introduce particulars not found in others. Though the gaps in the text are an obstacle to a full understanding of these particulars, their trend is quite clear. Two persons who accompanied a Perkadai, a high official in the service of the Calukya monarch, apparently sent by him to deliver some hostile message to the Cola, were chosen for being the media of a studied and barbarous insult to the Calukyas; one of them was compelled to wear the dress of a woman, and the other had his head shaven so as to show five tufts, and they were named ' the miserable Ahayamalli and Ahayamalla ' and sent adrift along with the Perkadai whom they had accompanied. Then, the ancient city of Kalyanapuram was sacked and its royal palace razed to the ground after its guards had been overpowered. And Rajadhirāja assumed in that city the title of Vijayarājēndra and performed a Vīrābhiṣēka; this is confirmed by another inscription of a later date in Rajadhiraja's reign, + with a unique prasasti beginning tirukkodiyodu; this record lays great stress on the victory against Ahavamalla, and states that the title Vijayarājēndra was adopted by the king at the Vīrābhiṣēka that followed the victory. And at Darasuram in the Tanjore district can be seen even to-day a fine image of a dvārapālaka, very different in the style of its workmanship from similar Cola images, bearing the inscription: #

^{* 172} of 1894. † 244 of 1925 (Yr. 36).

The text, as copied by me direct from the pedestal of the image is "(1.-1) Svartifri Udaiyir Sri Vijayardjindradiver—(1-2) Kalydna-puram-erittu kodu-vanda tun-drapālakar." In 1-2 'pa' is engraved below the line; cf. yaḥ Kalydna-puram dadāha of v. 73 of the Kanyākumāri inscription.

"The dvārapālaka (door-keeper) brought by Udaiyār Śri Vijayarājēndra-dēva after burning Kalyāṇapuram."

There is no mention in Somesvara's inscriptions either of this campaign of Rajadhiraja Calukya records. or of the later war which, as we shall see, led to his death on the battle-field of Koppam. In all the inscriptions of Somesvara, * there is nothing that would lead us to imagine that so great a disaster overtook him soon after his accession as is implied by the Cola records cited above. Though it may be conceded that the Cola accounts of the war are altogether too favourable to their own side, their substantial correctness seems to be beyond cavil. The chronology of the war is equally indisputable. All these incidents are narrated in records of the twenty-sixth or earlier years of Rajadhiraja, and must have occurred before 1044 A.D.; and Somesvara I did not become king before 1042 A.D. Moreover, the Dārāśuram dvārapālaka and other images in the same place give clear proof that Rājādhirāja sacked Kalyāņapuram, and that, like Napoleon, he carried off some fine works of art to his own country and the only occasion on which he claims, in his inscriptions, to have reached Kalyanapuram is in the course of the expedition we are now dealing with. Pundi, where a pitched battle was fought in this war, and possibly once again when another Cola invasion took place a few years later, was on the banks of

^{*} The vague phrase "balavac-cola-narendra-darpa-dalanam" at the beginning of a stereotyped Kanarese verse in some of his records means little; it is repeated of his son Someivara II, and as Barnett has observed of the conquests detailed in this verse, the list "seems to be more epic than historical." (El. xv. p. 86 n. 6; pp. 87, 97). The inscriptions noticed by Fleet (DKD. p. 441) are of a later date and will be considered in the proper place. I find it impossible to attach any value to the poetry of Bilhana who in his Vikra-mankadevacarita makes Someivara enter Kancipuram in victory. (I. 114-7) It was more or less the poet's job to do it as Someivara was the father of Bilhana's more fortunate hero Vikramāditya VI.

the Kṛṣṇā, perhaps in the Raichūr doab. * By the three turais, Śiruturai, Perundurai, and Daiva-bhīmakasi are no doubt meant the rivers Tungabhadrā, Kṛṣṇā † and, probably, the Bhīmā. Some of the minor incidents, for which the Cōļa ruler takes credit, look extremely realistic, and show the relentless nature of the hostilities between the protagonists in this long contest.

It is a fact of some importance that the mention of Kalyāṇapura in this campaign appears to be about ten years earlier than "the very earliest epigraphic mention of the place" which has been traced by Fleet in a record of A. D. 1053, ‡ and here it is already called 'an old city', § and a royal palace of the Cālukyas in it is also mentioned. This would suggest that Kalyāṇapura must have been at least a subsidiary capital for some years before the time when, according to Fleet, it was "founded or developed into a capital" by Sōmēśvara I.

The closing years of Rājēndra's reign formed the most splendid period of the history of the Cōlas of the Vijayālaya line.

The extent of the empire was at its widest and its military and naval prestige stood at its highest.) There remained the necessity, ever present in military empires, of carrying out punitive expeditions to suppress outbreaks and keep the conquered territories under control. The emperor was ably assisted by his talented sons and other members of his family, and the tasks of imperial administration were

^{*6} of 1890 and 221 of 1894 say " tanpunal Periyar-(rigai)-Karai-(Pungur)k-kagaka-ma-nagar."

[†] Fleet El. xii, pp. 293-4.

¹ DKD, p. 440.

^{§ &#}x27;Kalyāņapuram-ennum-tonnagar', SII. v. p. 183, Il. 29-30.

thus put in commission. Large undertakings, like the Pāṇḍya war against Sundara Pāṇḍya and his confreres, or the Cālukya war against Āhavamalla, were carried out in these years by the heir-apparent Rājādhirāja, while a host of feudatories looked after minor affairs like the war of Cōreya in the Nambihalli region of the Mysore country in which 'cows were carried off and women's girdles were unloosed.'* Among such feudatories a few naturally stand out more prominently than the rest in the records of the reign and of these a brief account may be given here.

That even the Pandyas normally accepted such a position of subordination and recon-Feudatories. ciled themselves to it is shown by the queen of the Pandya King Śrīvallabha making gifts to the Tiruviśalūr temple early in the reign, possibly when Rajaraja was still alive. † A part of the modern North Arcot district lying round about Brahmadēsam was under the jurisdiction of Vallavaraiyar Vandyadevar, the chief of the Samantas as he is called and husband of Rājarāja's elder sister Kundavai. Two other wives of this person are mentioned, Indaladevi ; and Mandaragauravanār Kundādēviyār § who, despite the second part of her name, appears to have been different from Parantakan Kundavai Pirattiyar, the Cola princess said to have been residing in the palace at Palaiyaru in the fourth and fifth years of the reign. ¶ A nadu came to be called Vallavaraiyar-nadu after this chief of the Samantas and part of it lay in the modern Salem district. || A certain Yadava Bhima, also called Uttama Cola Miladudaiyar, was in charge of a part of the hilly tracts in the modern South Arcot district in the fourth

* EC. x Sp. 14. † 46 of 1907. 1 191 of 1915. § 243 of 1915. ¶ 350 of 1907; 639 of 1909. || 157 of 1915.

year. * Seven or eight years later, we find a Gangaikonda Cola-miladudaiyar, possibly in charge of the same division, but only mentioned in the inscriptions as making an endowment for a lamp to be maintained in the temple at Kālahasti. † A number of short but interesting Kanarese and Tamil inscriptions at Kottasivaram, of which one ‡ is dated in the tenth year of Rajendra, and the others obviously belong to the same time, show that, in this reign and that of Rajaraja. a certain Araiyan Rajarajan alias Vikrama-Cola Coliya-varaiyan distinguished himself greatly in the Cola service in the Calukya and Vengi wars & and earned such high titles as Nālmadi Bhīma, Cōlanaeakra. Sāmantābharaņam, Vīra-bhuşaņam, and Edirttavar-kālan (Tam. 'death to foes') or Ahitarottaļivan (Kan). Dandanāyakan Nārakkan Kṛṣṇan Rāman who built the enclosure to the Tanjore temple under the orders of Rājarāja continued to serve Rājēndra I almost till the end of his reign as he is mentioned as late as 1044 A. D. ¶ His son, Mārāyan Arumoli, also called Uttamaśola Brahma-mārayan, was also a sēnā pati who assisted Rajendra about A. D. 1033 in building a temple to the Pidari of Kölar. | It may be observed that of the two names of this senāpati, the first was the personal name implying his social rank in the nobility (mārāyam), and the fact that his father called him after the ruling sovereign at the time of his birth; the second was the official title of the man in his public career in the king's service in the army. A Nimbaladēvi, the wife of certain Indaļadēva of Taļaigrāma in Virāţa-dēśa, the country round Hangal, made a

^{• 20} of 1905. † 291 of 1904. ‡ 23 of 1917.

^{§ 751} of 1917 (n.d.) records the flight of the Vengi king when he heard of the advance of this general ordered by the Cola king.

grant to the temple of Tiruvorriyur about 1042 A.D. * We cannot be sure that Indaladeva was an official or a feudatory of the king, as he might have been a merchant, who, like several others of his profession in those days, might have travelled great distances. In any event, Rajendra's claim to have conquered the Mysore country and parts of Rattapadi is largely substantiated by such instances. Lastly, there were the Cangalvas and the Kongalvas of Mysore and Coorg. We have traced the rise of Kongalvas into prominence under Rajaraja who, in appreciation of the heroism of Manija, conferred on him the title Kşatriyasikhāmani Kongāļva and an estate at Māļambi (Coorg). Cangalva territory, Canganad, lay in the Arkalgad taluq of Mysore and the Yelusavira country in Northern Coorg. Both the Cangalyas and the Kongalvas had Cola prenomens from this time, evidently because the Colas imposed their names on the provinces they conquered and on the rulers who accepted a vassal position in the empire. † In the course of a few years, however, the Kongalvas began to claim that they were themselves actually descended from the Colas and joined the ranks of the numerous Telugu and Kanarese local dynasties that traced their descent, in a mythical manner, from Karikala and the Sun, through Jatācola.

Like his father, (Rājēndra bore a number of fine birudas. Noteworthy among them are, Mndigoṇḍa-Cōļa ‡ and Paṇḍita-Coļa; § he is also once called Vīrarājēndra; ¶ but above all

^{* 138} of 1912. † EC. i, lntr. 12-13; v lntr. vii.

[‡] A name which is applied to many places and buildings in the period, and to a branch of the Kävēri to our own day. The Tämbraparni is called Mudigonda-Solap-pērāru in Cola records from Sērmādēvi.

[§] ARE. 1901, i. 12; SII. iii, 127.

^{9 61} of 1914.

these in the estimation of the king himself was the title Gangai - konda - Cola,) a name The new Capital. signalised by being attached to the new capital founded by the king and sometimes called Gangapuri in Sanskrit. * In the ruins of this celebrated city the earliest inscription that can now be traced seems to be one of Rajakesarivarman Vīrarajendradeva. † The large irrigation tank to the north of the city, the Cola-gangam of the Tiruvalangadu plates, has long gone out of use, its extensive bed overgrown with thick jungle. ‡ (Among the records of the reign of Rajendra I himself, the new capital is mentioned rarely, and apparently not earlier than the seventeenth regnal year. § This city has often been confused with Mudigonda-solapuram, and the suggestion has been made that this was the earlier name of what later came to be called Gangaikonda-solapuram. ¶)There is no support for the suggestion in the epigraphy of the reign. On the other hand, Mudigonda-solapuram is clearly stated to be the alternative name of Palaiyaru, || now a small village on the banks of the Mudigondan, within easy reach of Kumbakonam; Palaiyana possesses an ancient Siva temple of remarkable construction in the late Cola style which contains, however, no inscription; and there remain no traces of the palaces at Palaiyaru in which Kundavai ** and Rājēndra †† are said to have lived in the early years of the reign.

^{*} El. xv. p. 49 n. 3 where Gopinatha Rao quotes an interesting reference from the Iqu possibly reminiscent of this foundation.

^{† 82} of 1892.

[‡] A nineteenth century description of the site is quoted in Note B at the end of this Chapter.

^{§ 61} of 1914; 203 of 1925: 510 of 1926. The curious record 118 of 1888 dated in the 24th year of Rajakësari Rajëndra mentions Gangapuri.

[¶] S.H. iii. Index s, v. Mudigonda-sõlapuram; also S, K. Aiyangar—South India and her Muhammadan Invaders, p. 44, n. 2.

^{# 271} of 1927. ** 639 of 1909.

^{††} Tiruvalangadu plates ll. 0-7 (Tamil part), 463 of 1908 (Yr. 3).

In several inscriptions of his reign and of the reigns of his successors, Rājēndra is described briefly as the conqueror of Pūrvadēsam, Gangai and Kadāram; this must be taken to be a summary statement of his most distant conquests, and on this assumption Pūrvadēsam is best understood to be, not the Vēngi country as was suggested by Venkayya, * but Pūrvarāstra, the country to the east of the Maikal range, † roughly corresponding to the Southern Kōsala country.

The following are the queens of Rajendra who figure in the inscriptions: Tribhuvana or Vānavan-Mahādēviyār, ‡ Mukkōkkilān, § Pancavan-Mādēviyār ¶ and Vīra-mādēvi who apparently performed sati at the king's death. Of his sons we shall see that three followed him on the Cola throne in succession, Rajadhiraja, Rajandra and Vīra Rājēndra, and we cannot decide if any of these was identical with the Cola-Pandya Viceroy, Jatavarman Sundara Cola-Pandya. Other sons are known also. A daughter of Rajendra, Arumoli-nangaiyar or Piranar, made a present of a costly umbrella of pearls to the temple at Tirumalavadi early in the reign of her brother Rājādhirāja. ** Another daughter was the well-known Ammangādēvi, the queen of the Eastern Cāļukya Rājarāja I and mother of Kulottunga, the first Cola-Calukya monarch. The latest regnal year mentioned in Rajendra's inscriptions is 33 ++ and this accords well with the fact that his death is recorded in an inscription of Rajadhiraja dated in his twentysixth ‡‡ year. Rājēndra's death occurred, therefore, some time in A. D. 1044.

^{*} ASI. 1911-12 p. 172 n. 1.

[†] Fleet Gupta Inscriptions p. 192 n. 1; EL ix. p. 283. \$\ \$ 624 of 1920.

^{§ 73} of 1921. ¶ 464 of 1918, ∦ 260 of 1915. •• 71 of 1920. †† 79 of 1909. †† 260 of 1915.

NOTE A

ON MAHĪPĀLA.

Dr. S. K. Aiyangar has discussed the Ganges campaign at some length in his essay on Gangaikonda-Cola and I must explain why I am unable to accept some of his conclusions. Our differences are partly due to the different estimates we have of the value of the Tiruvalangadu plates (op. cit. p. 554). I agree with Mr. R. D. Banerji that "the order in which the names of the countries are mentioned (in Rajendra's Tamil inscriptions) prevents us from supposing that Bihar is " Dandabhukti. Dr. S. K. Aiyangar says: "As the name itself indicates, Bihar must have been on the frontier of some important empire or kingdom, which on that side required protection against a powerful enemy"; I do not see how. Nor is any tangible evidence brought forward by him in support of his position (p. 558) that Magadha was ruled by the Rastrakutas at the end of the ninth century and the beginning of the tenth till it was wrested from them by the Pala opponent of Rājēndra, Mahipāla, who installed Dharmapāla viceroy over his new conquest. Banerji has satisfactorily explained the western expansion of the Pala kingdom in the early years of Mahipala by the condition of the Gurjara kingdom after the invasion of Mahmud of Ghazni, (Pālas of Bengal p. 70.)

Banerji seems to me to be clearly wrong in quoting the evidence of the Candakaušikam of Kṣēmiśvara who probably lived in the tenth century A. D. at Kānyakubja under king Mahipāla, the Gurjara ruler, (Macdonnel, Sanskrit Literature p. 366; Keith, Sanskrit Drama p. 239 and n.) against the Tirumalai rock inscription of Rājēndra, and in discovering a defeat of Rājēndra in Mahipāla's defeat of the Karņātas mentioned in the drama. Cf. S. K. Aiyangar, op. cit. pp. 559-62.

Taking his stand on the order in which the events are narrated in verses 116-24 of the Tiruvālangādu plates, Dr. S. K. Aiyangar distinguishes a Mahīpāla of Oṭṭa (N. Orissa) from the famous Pāla king of Bengal, and holds that "Rājēndra's general did not come into direct contact with Mahīpāla of Bengal at all." (p. 565). He says that the Tamil records "properly understood" support the same position. To prove this, he relies on the edition of Rājūndra's Tamil inscriptions in Epigraphia Carnatica and

finds that No. 84 of Channapattana (Bangalore Dt.) "gives correct reading': Todu - kadar - Sangamottaapparently the Mahipālanai; this he translates into: "Otta-Mahipāla of Sagnama (Sangama?) which touches the sea." He adds: "the first three words in full in Tamil would be Todu-kadar-changamam which means the river mouth which touches the sea." (pp. 564-5). Ignoring the tautology of such a phrase for a moment, one should like to know how Sangamam followed by Offa becomes Sangamotta instead of 'Sangamavotta' as it should be. I have already pointed out that the Tanjore inscription (SII. ii No. 201, 7) reads distinctly: "Todu-kalar - cangu - vodadal-mayipālanai" which somewhat arbitrarily changed into: Todu-kalarcanguvoffal' (EI. ix p. 232 n. 6). The real reading doubtless is that of the Tanjore inscription; and its correct meaning is that the strong Mahipala was captured together with another person named Sangu. Though we know nothing of the latter, there is little room for doubt that, as Kielhorn suggested years ago, the 'strong Mahipāla' must be the same as the Pāla ruler of Bengal. It seems that Dr. S.K. Aiyangar has, unconsciously, gone too far in reacting against Mr. Banerji's claim, based on a misquotation from the Candakausikam, that Mahipala of Bengal defeated Rajendra, or at least successfully stopped his crossing the Ganges. But the alibi sought to be established on behalf of the Cola general appears to rest on very flimsy grounds. I must, however, note that a single inscription from Tirukövilür (128 of 1900) gives the reading 'Sangod-Otta-Mahipalanai.' This solitary instance out of over a hundered inscriptions I have consulted cannot, I think, be regarded as anything but a mistake of the engraver.

Of verses 116-24 of the Tiruvālangādu plates, I think the first four complete the account of the campaign undertaken by the general in quest of the Ganges including the overthrow of Mahīpāla (119). The rest are devoted to a narration of other achievements of Rājēndra. Verses 120 and 121 state that the king personally undertook a campaign against the Oṭṭa—note particularly that there is no mention of Mahīpāla here—and his younger brother, before his return to the capital (122). In this campaign the king killed or defeated (vinihatya) the Oṭṭa and his brother and collected a tribute of elephants; the Mahēndragiri stone inscription (396 of 1896) states that Vimalāditya, the Kulūtēśvara, was defeated by Rājēndra and compelled to give up

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a number of his elephants to the conqueror. Both the references appear to be to the same campaign; but it is not easy to decide whether the eampaign took place in Rājarāja's life-time and has been mentioned here out of its proper place or whether it occurred sometime in the twelfth or thirteenth year of Rajendra and is, for some reason, omitted in the Tamil prasasti. I am inclined on the whole to the former hypothesis as in these and the succeeding verses the composer of the Sanskrit prasasti seems to be winding up his account by putting in the things he omitted to mention before, or had no room to enlarge upon. It must be noticed also that verse 122 states that the king returned to his capital before he undertook the campaign against Kaţāha (verse 123); Dr. S. K. Aiyangar reverses the order in his summary (p. 564) and holds that the expedition against Kadaram started from 'the coast region of Kalingam ' (p. 566). He adds that all Rājēndra's records uniformly state that, having reached the mouth of the Ganges and subjugated Orissa, the overseas expedition set sail from there; in saying this he overlooks the fact that we have to distinguish the different campaigns of Rajendra's reign by the stages through which we can trace the growth of the tiru manni valura introduction; records of the 12th year stop with the conquest of the Ganges, and the overseas expedition does not find mention before the year 14; and it cannot be a mere accident that at each of these stages the Tiruválangá-lu plates state that the king returned to his capital. On Dr. S. K. Aiyangar's method of interpretation, we shall have also to admit that Rajendra started against Ceylon from Målkhed, an obviously impossible assumption.

In the Journal of the Billetr and Orissa Research Society (1928 Vol. XIV pp. 512-20) R. D. Banerji examines the opinions of Dr. S. K. Aiyangar on Rājēndra's Ganges campaign. On the location of Dan labhukti and the difficulty of postulating the existence, as Dr. S. K. Aiyangar does, of a body of Karnātas holding a military fief in Bihar, I find myself in agreement with Banerji. He seems to me to be justified also in his view that the composer of the Tiruvālangādu plates "had very hazy notions of the position of these places in the map of India," and that "Prof. Aiyangar, who relies entirely on the Tiruvālangādu plates in preference to the Tirumalai rock inscription, has been clearly non-plussed." He clinches his arguments about the route of the Cōla army by saying: "An army approaching Bengal and Bihar

from the South must follow the natural line of communication through Orissa, Midnapur, Hoogly and Howrah to reach Vanga and Uttara Radha, and this is exactly the route described in the Tirumalai rock inscription." Banerji's statement, however, that the Cola army followed the coast line from near the Chilka lake and debouched into the interior only once when it went into Kösala, clearly overlooks the data on the earlier stages of the campaign furnished by the Tirumalai rock inscription. He also observes that Gövindacandra of the Candra dynasty of Eastern Bengal "had most probably become a vassal of Mahipāla I and therefore a flanking movement may have been expected of him," and this was possibly the reason why he had to be dealt with before Mahipāla was attacked. This statement from one so wellversed in Pala history is valuable as affording support to our position on the general relation between Ranashra, Dharmapala and Gövindacandra on the one side, and Mahipala on the other. It also constitutes a virtual abandonment by Danerji of the interpretation he had put on the Tirumalai rock inscription in his monograph on the Palas of Bengal that it depicts Bengal as cut up into a number of independent small states, a view that has been cited and commented on in the preceding chapter.

As against S. K. Aiyangar, whom he does not hesitate to accuse of betraying "the spirit of a partisan and not that of a critical historian," Banerji seeks to buttress his position in regard to the Candakausikam by arguments which do not stand critical examination, and which make it easy, for anyone so minded, to bring with more reason against Banerji himself the charge of uncritical partisanship. Banerji surmises that Prof. Aiyangar has forgotten the existence of the Cambay plates of Gövinda IV. And the history furnished by these plates is summed up by Banerji with more rhetoric than fidelity in the following terms: "Very shortly afterwards (i.e. after the accession of Mahipāla I) the Gurjara-Pratīhāra empire was shattered by the onslaught of the great Rastrakuta conqueror Indra III. In fact this young prince dealt the death-blow to Gurjara-Pratibara supremacy in India. He invaded Malva, captured Ujjain, crossed the Jumna near Kalpi, devastated Kanauj and compelled. Mahipāla to fiee before his general, the Calukya chief, Narasimha, to Allahabad. Mahipāla I returned to Kanauj after the retirement of the Rastrakuta army to find that the provinces were fast

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becoming independent under the feudatories and governors. No Mahipāla of the Gurjara-Pratīhāra dynasty ever defeated any Karņāṭaka army or chief and therefore it is cruel of Professor Aiyangar to postulate the production of the drama Canda-kauśikam before this unfortunate king."

Now, the Cambay plates of Gövinda have been edited by Prof. D. R. Bhandarkar who had no preconceived notions about either Rajendra or Mahipala of Bengal to uphold, and it is interesting to see how he makes out the relations between Indra III and Mahipāla I, the Pratihāra king, as revealed by these plates and other contemporary inscriptions. In a succinct and full discussion of the historical significance of verse 19 of these plates, * he points out: "But the complete devastation of Mahodaya, which Indra III is spoken of as having brought about, is merely poetical. For the poet's object appears to be to introduce a play on the words Mahodaya and Kuśasthala. * * * This is also seen from the consideration that, as a matter of fact, for long after the event recorded in this verse took place, Kanauj continued to be the capital of several princes, ruling over northern India. What Indra III actually did beyond attacking Mahodaya or Kanaui. cannot be inferred from the verse itself. But we can ascertain it with the help of other inscriptions." After a careful examination of other inscriptions, which is too long to be reproduced here. Prof. Bhandarkar reaches the conclusion that though Indra succeeded for a time in depriving Mahipāla of his kingdom, he was soon restored to the throne by the combined efforts of Dharmapāla of the Pāla dynasty of Bengal and the Chandella king Harsadēva. Here, then, it seems we have all the elements needed to satisfy the requirements of the verse in the prologue to the Candakausikam which ascribes to Mahipāla, by a natural exaggeration. the repulse of the Karnatas from Kanauj brought about by his allies. In fact by recalling the story of Kautilya's expulsion of the Nandas for the sake of Candragupta, the verse in the Candakausikam implies what was an essential feature in the restoration of Mahipala, viz., the large place taken by diplomacy and foreign invasion in bringing about the restoration.

The history furnished by the Cambay plates and other records of the time seems therefore to establish conclusively that

^{*} El. vii, pp. 30-33.

the Caṇḍakauśikam was enacted before the Gurjara-Pratihāra Mahipāla I, nearly a century before the time of the Pāla Mahipāla to whose reign Mr. R. D. Banerji would assign the play. See also Sten Konow, Indische Drama p. 87. and JOR. vi pp. 191 ff.

NOTE B.

GANGAIKONDA-CÖLA-PURAM

The following interesting account of this place appeared in a local publication of 1855 which is not easily accessible now. It was reproduced once in the IA. iv p. 274, and may well find a place here.

"It may also be mentioned that in the Udaiyarpalaiyam tālūkā there is an embankment 16 miles long, running north and south, provided with several substantial sluices and of great strength, which in former times must have formed one of the largest reservoirs in India. This large tank or lake was filled partly by a channel from the Kolerun river, upwards of 60 miles in length, which enters it at its southern end, and partly by a smaller channel from the Vellar, which entered it on the north. Traces of both these channels still remain. The tank has been ruined and useless for very many years, and its bed is now almost wholly overgrown with high and thick jungle. It is said traditionally that its ruin was wilful, and the act of an invading army. Near the southern extremity of the band there is a village, now surrounded by jungle, called Gangakundapuram. Immediately in its vicinity is a pagoda of a very large size and costly workmanship; and close by, surrounded by jungle, are some remains of ancient buildings, now much recembling the mounds or heaps which indicate the site of ancient Babylon, but in which the village elders point out the various parts of an extensive and magnificent palace. When this palace was in existence, Gangakundapuram was the wealthy and flourishing capital of a monarchy, and the great tank spread fertility over miles and miles of what is now trackless forest. It has often been projected to restore that magnificent work, but the scheme has remained in abeyance for want of engineer officers. At some future time it may be successfully prosecuted, but till then this most fertile tract must remain a jungle, and the few inhabitants will still point

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with pride to the ancient band as a monument of the grand and gigantic enterprise of their ancient sovereigns, and compare it contemptuously with the undertakings of their present rulers. Speaking of the noble temple of Gangāknudapuram, it must not be omitted that when the lower Kolerun anikat was built, the structure was dismantled of a large part of the splendid granite sculptures which adorned it, and the enclosing wall was almost wholly destroyed in order to obtain materials for the work. The poor people did their ntmost to prevent this destruction and spoliation of a venerated edifice by the servants of a government that could show no title to it; but of course without success; they were only punished for contempt. A promise was made indeed, that a wall of brick should be built in place of the stone wall that was pulled down; but unhappily it must be recorded that this promise has never been redeemed."

CHAPTER XI

THE SUCCESSORS OF RĀJĒNDRA (1044-70 A. D.)

Under Rajaraja I, the real founder of the Cola empire, and his talented son Rajendra I, The sons of the usual line of conquest, which was Rajendra I. from north to south, had been reversed, and the victorious tiger-banner carried far into the north. Rājēndra's sons, three of whom succeeded their father, one after another, on the Cola throne, inherited an extensive empire, and on the whole, ably maintained its extent and prestige during their reigns. There was much hard, and occasionally fierce fighting, particularly against the Calukyas across the Tungabhadra frontier, and the first of these three kings died on a battle-field in which the second was crowned immediately after his steadiness and valour converted an almost certain defeat into a brilliant victory. There was trouble also from the south, the Pandya and Kēraļa being always in league with the Ceylonese rulers, and waiting to take the fullest advantage of the difficulties that beset their suzerains elsewhere. Towards the end of this period, these troubles, together with others of a dynastic and possibly religious nature, brought about a political revolution which proved the salvation of the empire for well over a century thereafter. As will be shewn later, the exact circumstances under which the Calukya-Cola, Rajendra, came to occupy the imperial Cola throne are not easily determined; but there can be no two opinions on the consequences to the Cola power of this turn of events. By introducing a fresh, and possibly more vigorous, yet closely related stock of kings to the rule of the empire, and by amalgamating, at a critical time, the

resources of the Eastern Cāļukya kingdom with the Cōļa, it ensured a continuous and active life for the empire of Rājarāja at a time when his descendants in the main line were overwhelmed in desperate conflicts of which they saw no end.

The Kanyākumāri inscription * of Vīrarājēndra states expressly that Rajadhiraja was Order of the eldest of the three sons of Raiendra succession. who succeeded him in order; this statement is confirmed by the inscriptions of the three reigns taken together; one record of the thirty-fifth year † of Rajadhiraja mentions the significant name tambit-tunaiccola-valanadu which recalls distinctly the prasasti of Rujendra II beginning tirumagaļ maruviya. This prasasti gives a succinct account of how Rajendra co-operated with his elder brother Rajadhirāja in the prolonged Cāļukya war of the reign. Vīrarājēndra was doubtless identical with Vīra-Cola, ± the younger brother of Rajendradeva on whom he conferred the title Karikāla Cola; in fact the W. Calukya inscriptions call him generally Vira. An inscription of Vīrarājēndra from the Ramnad district & refers to his father (ayyar) who conquered Gangai, Pürvadēśam and Kadaram. From a study of the dates of the inscriptions, it is seen that there is a large measure of overlapping among the reigns, a feature which should

cause no surprise after the conjoint rule for over twenty-five years of Rājādhirāja with his father. The latest regnal year of Rājādhirāja mentioned in his records is the thirty-sixth, ¶ falling in A. D. 1053-4.

Verse 73.

^{+ 30} of 1919.

¹ SII. iii p. 195; EC. vii Sk. 136.

^{§ 110} of 1908.

^{¶ 129} of 1912 dated (3)8 is doubtful. It is a solitary record and the first figure in the date is not secure.

The approximate date of the accession of Rājēndra II has been fixed from his inscriptions as May 28th, A. D. 1052. * Likewise, the highest regnal year of Rājēndra II is twelve, taking his rule up to A. D. 1064. Vīrarājēndra's accession, however, took place sometime in A. D. 1062-3 † which is counted in his records

as his first year. ‡ Rājakēsari Rāja-Rajamahendra. mahēndra-dēva, whose inscriptions do not carry his reign beyond the third year, must be found a place before the accession of Vīrarājēndra-dēva. His brief prasastis tell us little beyond the fact that he upheld the code laid down by Manu for the administration of the land; but even this statement is not altogether valueless as it is closely corroborated by the Kalingattupparani & which says just the same thing even more forcibly, without mentioning any other fact, about a king whom it places between the sovereign who crowned himself on the field of Koppam (Rājēndra II) and the victor of Kūdal-sangamam (Vīrarājēndra). Further confirmation of the position assigned to Rājamahēndra is found in a single inscription of his stating that the king 'by a war-elephant caused Ahavamalla to turn his back (on the bank of) the winding river.' It seems possible that Rajamahendra was the son of Rajendra II mentioned in an inscription of the ninth year of that king | under the name

^{*} El. vi p. 24.

[†] EL vii p. 9.

^{‡ 87} of 1896 of year 9 of Rajëndra II is said to mention a gift of year 3 of Vīrarājēndra ARE. 1895 I 9. If this is correct, Vīrarājēndra's accession must be placed earlier. But the published text (SII. v. 647 ll. 52-3) does not seem to mention any such gift in Vīrarājēndra's reign though the name Vīrarājēndra does occur.

[§] viii 28; SII. iii, p. 113.

^{¶ 119} of 1902 cited at SII. iii p. 191.

il 'tan-tirumagan': 87 of 1895. (SII. v 647, l. 26). Another record of the same date mentions a Rajamahandra-road. SII. iii p. 41 (l. 6.)

Rājēndra, and that when, soon after, he was chosen heir-apparent he assumed the title Rājamahēndra to distinguish himself from his father Rājēndra-dēva and his grandfather Rājēndra-Cōļa-dēva. Here again, the succession of two Rājakēsaris, Rājamahēndra and Vīrarājēndra, must be explained as due to one of them having died as heir-apparent without ever ruling in his own right, and that the other was chosen to fill his place. * This period is brought to a close by the short and troubled reign of Parakēsari Adhirājēndra, one of whose records dated in his third year † mentions the eighth year of Vīrarājēndra. The succession and chronology of the period may, therefore, be summed up as follows:—

- (1) Rājādhirāja I Rājakēsari ... A. D. 1018-1054
- (2) Rajendra II Parakesari young- A. D. 1052-1064 er brother of (1)

Rājamahēndra Rājakēsari A. D. 1060-1063 son of (2) died as crownprince

- (3) Vîrarājēndra Rājakēsari A. D. 1063-1069 (younger brother of 1 and 2)
- (4) Adhirājēndra Parakēsari son A. D. 1067/8-1070 of 3 (?)

Rajadhiraja's prasastis are usually found in two forms, one of them rather short, commencing tingaler-pera-valar, which records only the earlier achievements of the king and seems to have been stereotyped about the twenty-sixth year of his rule and repeated in that form in some of his later records. The longer form

Cp. El. xviii pp. 30-1.

^{+ 15} of 1890: SII. iii 57.

tingaļēr-taru has many variations and in fact it is seen to have gone through several editions, so to say, some giving more details of transactions only briefly mentioned in others. The interesting details of the battle of Pundur and other incidents of Rajadhiraja's first invasion of the Calukya country resulting in the destruction of Kollippākkai are given in the inscriptions of the 26th year * and are generally omitted in later records; whereas the detailed description of the Pandyan and the Ceylonese wars that occurs in the latter is only hinted at briefly in the earlier records. Again, the vulgar insult offered to the ambassadors of Ahavamalla, one of whom was forced to dress as a woman and another was made the subject of a comic tonsure, is mentioned only in some versions but not in others. † A few of the inscriptions of the later years mention fresh transactions not found in the earlier records; ‡ others simply repeat the older forms without making them up-to-date. Further, there is a prasasti beginning tirukkodiyodu tyāgakkodi giving no new information and confirming some of the details of the Cāļukyan war found in other records.

That Rājādhirāja assumed the title Vijayarājēndra after his triumphant entry into Kalyārapura has already been mentioned.
There are, however, two records of Parakēsari Vijayarājēndra which at first sight seem to present a baffling problem. § In one of them, a Kölār

^{* 172} of 1894; 92 of 1892 which though its date is lost is apparently of the same time. 446 of 1918 (Yr. 34) is also similar.

[†] Mentioned in 172 of 1894 and 30 of 1919. Also in the introduction beginning: tirukkodiyodu (244 of 1925 Yr. 36).

[‡] e.g. SII. iii 28 (Yr. 29); 6 of 1890 (Yr. 30); 81 of 1895; 221 of 1894 (Yr. 32).

[§] See the discussion in ARE, 1907, Il 38; 1908 Il 56.

record * of the thirty-fifth year, we must necessarily assume that Parakesari is a mistake for Rajakesari: for the high regnal year and the identity of the short praśasti in this record with that of Rajadhiraja beginning Vīrapāndiayan talaiyum, the last variety of the prasastis found in Rājādhirāja's records, leave no room for any alternative. The other record from Pedda - Tippasamudram † falls into the reign of Rajendra II, the younger brother and successor of Rajadhiraja, as it is dated in Saka 981, or A. D. 1057-8, and as we have no clear proof of Rajadhiraja having reigned beyond his 36th year, which would be A. D. 1054-5. Rajendra II was a Parakësari, and though this record appears to be unique in giving him the Vijayarājēndra title, it may be his. It should, however, be noticed that a Rajadhiraja inscription, doubtfully dated in the 38th year, from Tiruvorriyūr, ‡ just renders it possible that this record is also his. The battle of Koppam, in which Rājādhirāja lost his life, took place according to Fleet 'shortly before the 20th January, A. D. 1060,' as a record dated in Saka 981 (expired) mentions that Somesvara had then returned from 'a conquest of the southern countries and of the Cola.' & Therefore, the Pedda-Tippasamudram record of Saka 981 may also be, after all, another instance of a Rājādhirāja record giving him the Parakesari title by a mistake. In any case we have no reason to assume that there was an alteration in the official title of the king from Rajakēsari to Parakēsari, ¶ as there are many other records of the 35th and 36th years with the former title.

^{* 135} of 1892; 477 of 1911; EC. x Kl. 112 (b).

[§] BG. I, ii, 441. But this rather late date for the death of Rajadhiraja is contradicted by the inscriptions of his successor Rajandra; see infra.

[¶] Contra ARE, 1908 II 56.

The Ceylon war of Rājādhirāja briefly mentioned in the last chapter may now be considered in more detail. Some of the earlier inscriptions * of Rājādhirāja briefly record that the king of Lankā, the garlanded Vallava, and the king of the Kannakucciyar (people of Kanauj), suffered decapitation at the hands of Rājēndra. The more detailed account of the occurrences as found in some of the later records † is as follows:—

"With a single unequalled army (he) took the crown of Vikramabāhu, the king of In Cola the people of Lanka on the tempestuous inscriptions. ocean; the crown of large jewels, (belonging to) the lord of Lanka, Vikrama-Pandyan, who, having lost the whole of the southern Tamil country out of fear of himself (Rājādhirāja) ‡ had entered Ilam (surrounded by) the seven oceans; the beautiful golden crown of the king of Simhala, Vīra-Salāmēghan, who, believing that Ilam (surrounded by) the ocean was superior to the beautiful Kannakucci (Kanyakubja) which belonged to him, had entered (the island) with his relatives and (those of) his countrymen who were willing (to go with him), § and had put on the brilliant crown; who, having been defeated on the battle-field and having lost his black elephant, had fled ignominiously; and who, when (the Cola king) seized his elder sister along with (his) wife ¶ and cut off the nose of (his) mother, had returned in order to remove the disgrace (caused) thereby, and, having fought hard with the sword, had withered | in

^{• 92} of 1892; 172 of 1894. + SII. iii 28, p. 56.

Text: 'mun-tanakkudaindu,' apparently rendered by Hultzsch into 'which had previously belonged to him.'

^{§ &}quot;Ilakjiridenzenni ulangol tannadu tannuzavodum pugundu" is the text.

[¶] Or daughter. The text has kādali,

Text 'ularnda.' Hultzsch has 'perished'; but see later.

a hot battle; and the extremely brilliant crown of large jewels, (belonging to) Śrī Vallavan (Śrī Vallabha) Madanarājan, who had come of the family of Kannaran (Kṛṣṇa) and had become the proud king of Ilam." *

The Mahavamsa shows clearly that the years following the deportation of Mahinda V In the by Rajendra and the annexation of Mahavamsa. "the whole of Ilamandalam" to the Cola empire (1017 A.D.) were filled with risings on the part of the Singalese subjects against the new Cola rulers followed by reprisals on their part. independent testimony of the Ceylonese chronicle not only confirms the account of Rajadhiraja's records in its essential features, but furnishes much welcome assistance in fixing the chronology of events which, though spread over several years and apparently connected with more than one campaign, seem to have been grouped together to form a convenient section in the prasasti of Rājādhirāja. The Mahāvamsa affirms † that the first outbreak of the opposition to the Cola rule in Ceylon occurred about twelve years after the capture of Mahinda V, when the Cola wanted to gain control of Mahinda's son Kassapa, and that this revolt centred round Kassapa; Kassapa and his confederates succeeded in maintaining a contest for six months

with the Cola forces said to have been 95,000 strong; they "killed a great number of Damilas" and compelled the rest to retire and take up "their abode as before in Pulatthinagara." Thereupon, Kassapa

The text is "Konnaran-vali-vandurai-kola-vilat-taraišan-āgiya," which Hultzsch translates into "who had come to Kannaran (Krishna) and taken up (his) abode (with him)." Urai means in the context 'pride,' glory.' The point seems to be that Madanarāja, though a Rāştrakūta or, more generally, a Karnāta by descent, became king of Ceylon.

[†] Ch. 55 vv. 24-29.

began to rule the south-eastern portion of the island of Ceylon, the division known as Rohana, under the title of Vikkamabāhu.* This war of six months preceding the accession of Vikkamabāhu took place about 1029 A.D., in the reign of Rājēndra I; but there is nothing to show that Rājādhirāja actually took part in it, though he might have done so.

The Cola inscriptions affirm that Vikkamabahu lost his life in the Cola war, † and that His death. his diadem fell into the hands of Rājādhirāja; the Mahāvamsa, however, says that he suddenly died of a disease in the twelfth year of his reign (1041 A. D.) in the midst of extensive preparations for a Cola war. It is possible that the Cola panegyric is more boastful than true, though his crown may have been among the booty of the Colas. ‡ Despite Rajendra's success against Mahinda V, therefore, the whole of Ceylon was held by the Colas only for a short while, a period of about a decade, after which the province of Rohana asserted its independence, and kept up a perpetual war against the Cola province. In Rājādhirāja's reign this struggle became very acute as every ruler that came after Vikkamabahn was actuated by the desire to expel the Damilas from Ceylon. Neglecting the eight days' rule of Kitti (A.D. 1041), § the "mighty Mahālānakitti" who became king of Rohana, "was vanquished in his third year (A.D. 1044) in battle against the Colas, and with his own hand he cut his throat and so died a sudden death. Thereupon the Damilas took the chief treasures, such as the diadem and the like and sent

^{*} MV. Ch. 56, vv. 1-6;

^{† 92} of 1892 where he is only called 'king of the Ceylonese.'

[‡] Geiger CV, ii, p. xxi. § CV. Ch. 56, v. 7. ¶ ibid vv. 8-10.

them to the Monarch of the Cola land." It is not easy to identify Mahālānakitti with any of the four Singalese rulers mentioned by name in the Cola inscription quoted above. Vikkamapandu (A. D. 1044-47) was according to the Mahavamsa * the only son of Mahalanakitti, who, having left his country through fear and lived for a time in the Dulu country, returned to Rohana when he heard of the fate of his father. and was killed, after a short rule, in a fight with Jagatīpāla. The Cola inscription, on the contrary. implies that he was a Pandya prince who had once ruled over the southern Tamil country, and was compelled by Rājādhirāja himself to abandon southern India and seek his fortune in Ceylon, where he became king. As the Pandyan and Ceylonese dynasties were at this time in close political and dynastic alliance with each other and with the Kēralas, and were united in their common opposition to Cola ascendancy, t we have perhaps to assume that the two accounts supplement each other. Vikrama Pandya had apparently a Singalese father and a Pandya mother: his early career in the Pandya country is represented, not quite accurately, by the Mahāvamsa as a sojourn in the Dulu country, or possibly, this sojourn in the Dulu land was an interlude between the Pandyan and the Ceylonese phases of his career. Whatever that may be, there is no doubt that the Cola inscriptions and the Mahāvamsa speak of one and the same prince here, and that while the Ceylonese account of the manner of his death is not contradicted by the Cola records, it is quite possible that his diadem also fell into the hands of the Colas as is claimed by them. Of Jagatīpāla (A.D. 1047-51), the Mahāvamsa says ‡ that he was 'a sovereign's son' from Ayodhya,

[•] Wid vv. 11-14. † PK. p. 113. ‡ CV. vv. 13-15.

and that after coming to Ceylon he "slew Vikkamapandu in battle and ruled as a mighty man in Rohana for four years. Him also the Colas slew in battle and sent the Mahesi with her daughter and all the valuable property to the Cola kingdom." If we overlook the discrepancy about the place of origin, Kanyakubja according to the Cola records and Ayodhya according to the Mahāvamsa, there is a striking similarity in the fortunes of Jagatīpāla of the chronicle and Vīra-Salāmēghan of the inscriptions, and it may be concluded that we have here only one prince mentioned under two different names in our sources. * But this conclusion is not unassailable; the death of Vira-Salāmēghan is mentioned in an inscription dated towards the end of A.D. 1046; † the most critical study of the Mahavamsa has led to the conclusion that Jagatīpāla began to rule only in A. D. 1047 and went on till four years later. So that, after all, the differences in the names and the places of origin of these two princes may mean that they were two different persons who had little in common with each other besides having attained some celebrity in Ceylon as opponents of the Cola regime and met very similar fates at the hands of their antagonists. How these adventurers from northern India came to Ceylon in search of a career is not easy to explain satisfactorily at present. Śrī Vallabha Madanaraja, the fourth and last of the princes mentioned in the Cola inscriptions, has been identified with king Parakkama of the Mahāvamsa who was slain in fight with the Colas. ‡ This identification is also to be accepted with caution. Madanarāja was a Vallabha (of the line of Kannara) by descent; Parakkama, on the contrary, was the son

^{*} Cf. Hultzsch SII. iii, p. 53.

⁺ ibid. 3rd Decr. A. D. 1046.

[‡] ibid; also MV. 56, v. 16.

of the Pandu king, i. e., Vikkamapandu. Moreover, the death of Parakkama occurred about A. D. 1053, nearly seven years after the date of Rajadhiraja's inscription (A. D. 1046) in which Madanaraja is mentioned. *

This comparison of the epigraphical account of the Ceylonese war in the records of Summary. Rājādhirāja with the events as chronicled in the Mahāvamsa thus points to the need for cantion in working the two accounts into a continuous story of the relations between the Cola empire and that part of Ceylon which was maintaining a vigorous struggle for its independence against great odds. Only two of the kings in the inscriptions of Rajadhiraja can be recognised in the Mahavamsa viz., Vikramabahu and Vikrama-Pandya. Vīra-Salāmēgha and Śrī Vallabha Madanarāja are known only to the Cola inscriptions, but apparently are not mentioned in the Mahāvamsa. On the contrary, Jagatīpāla and Parakkama of the Mahāvamsa, who figured in the later stages of the war of independence and laid down their lives in that war, do not find a place in the Cola inscriptions. † The inscriptions of Rajadhiraja's successor Rājēndra II show that he too had a hand in the suppression of the Ceylonese risings. Records of his fourth year, ‡ A. D. 1055, state that "he despatched an army to Ceylon, where the king Vîra-Salāmēgha was decapitated and the two sons of the Ceylon king Mānābharana were taken prisoners." Later records

[•] Cf. Hultzsch-JRAS. 1913, pp. 519-21 where the opinions expressed by him in SII. in are withdrawn.

[†] Jagatīpāla's queen and her daugther Lilavati escaped later on from their captivity in the Cola country. MV. Ch. 59 vv. 23-4.

[‡] SIL iii, 29. JRAS, 1913, p. 519.

of Rājēndradēva mention only Vīra-Salāmēgha. * Rājēndradēva's claim is proved by the presence of an inscription of his reign at Sangili-Kanadarāva in Ceylon. † Despite Vīra-Salāmēgha being called "King of the Kalingas of the strong army," ‡ there is no reason to distinguish him from the 'Kannakucciyarkāvalan' of the Rajadhiraja inscriptions. Surviving the disgrace inflicted on the members of his family, his sister and mother and wife, by the forces of Rajadhiraja, and the defeat in the 'hot battle' that followed thereafter when he sought to avenge the disgrace, this unfortunate prince apparently fell a victim to another Cola inroad possibly led by Rajendradeva some years later. § The identity of Manabharana, the king of the Ceylonese, whose two sons were captured by Rājēndra, is not easy to make out, though the suggestion may be offered that he was no other than the king who joined the confederacy of three southern kings whose opposition to Cola rule in the Pāndya country was suppressed by Rājādhirāja in the life-time of his father, in one of his early campaigns. ¶

^{* 87} of 1895; 270 of 1915, both of the minth year.

⁺ SII. iii p. 59; 612 of 1912, (SII. iv 1408).

[‡] virarpadaik-kalingar-man, 1. 12 of SII. iii 29.

[§] Supposing that a Vīra-Salāmēgha 'perished in a hot battle' (SII. iii p. 56) with Rājādhirāja, Hultzsch distinguishes from him the 'kalingar-man' of the same name of the Rājēndra inscriptions (JRAS. 1913 p. 520), and connects the latter with Trilökasundarī, a Kalinga queen of Vijayabāhu I, A.D. 1054-1109, and snggests that her nephew Kitti-sirī-mēgha may have been named after Vīra-Salāmēgha. He also suggests that the Pāṇḍya Mānābharaṇa who was decapitated by Rājādhirāja was the ancestor of that Mānābharaṇa who was the nephew and son-in-law of Vijayabāhu I; and that Srī Vallabha Madanarāja, the Ceylonese opponent of Rājādhirāja, was the ancestor of his namesake Srī Vallabha, a third nephew and son-in-law of Vijayabāhu I. Arguments from the similarity of common names cannot be final; and Hultzsch has not considered the relation between the Mānābharaṇa whose sons were captured by Rājēndra and his namesakes.

Vide p. 269 ante.

It may be observed that Indian coins found in Ceylon include issues of Rajadhiraja and Cola coins and Rajendra, * and that Cola inscriptions inscriptions in

Ceylon.

found in Ceylon, though not numerous or well preserved, carry us right to

the end of the period covered in this chapter. † We may, therefore, conclude that the bulk of the island of Ceylon constituted an administrative division of the Cola empire, while the South-western part of the island, called Rohana in the Mahāvamsa, kept up an incessant warfare for the restoration of Singalese independence. Prince Kitti who assumed the title Vijayabāhu in 1058 A.D. was the leader of this effort. The Mahāvamsa and the inscriptions of Vīrarājēndra give some account of it. ‡ Like all conquerors, the

Colas were only exasperated by the Repressive most natural desire of the Singalese to policy. be rid of them, and seem often to have adopted savage methods of repression such as transportation, decapitation and mutilation, against the women of the royal family of Ceylon. After the accession of Kulottunga to the Cola throne in A. D. 1070, Vijayabāhu I succeeded at last where so many of his predecessors had failed And its failure. and restored the independence of Ceylon; a detailed account of the steps leading to

the success of Vijayabāhu belongs to the reign of

Kulöttunga.

^{*} Codrington, Ceylon Coins pp. 84-5.

[†] Cf. SII. iii 84 (266 of 1901) of the 7th year of Vīrarājendradeva, claiming the subjugation of Ceylon among the king's achievements and 594 of 1912-SII. iv 1388 (Yr. 3 of Adhirajendradeva).

I MV. Ch. 57 vv. 65 ff. EZ. ii p. 207; 182 of 1915.

A second war against Someśvara was undertaken by Rājādhirāja between A. D. 1044 and 1046. The Maņimangalam inscription * of 3rd December, A. D. 1046 gives a short account of this campaign

stating that the Cola king defeated in battle several subordinate chieftains † of the Calukya forces, and destroyed the palace of the Calukyas in the town of Kampili. Other inscriptions, of which the earliest is dated in the thirtieth year of Rajadhiraja, furnish some additional information about what followed the destruction of the palace at Kampili. ‡ Another engagement, said to be the third of its kind, followed at Pündür, described as a kadakamänagar or cantonment city, on the left bank of the Kṛṣṇā river, in which several Telugu chieftains, vassals of Somēsvara, were made prisoners of war together with numberless women; thereupon, the city of Pundur was sacked by the Cola army and razed to the ground, its site being ploughed with asses and sowed with varāţikai, a kind of coarse millet; finally, the large palace at Mannandippai was consigned to the flames, and a pillar of victory erected, bearing the emblem of the tiger. These occurrences, no doubt considerably exaggerated in the partial report of the Cola records, must have taken place before A.D. 1048; it is even possible that they had happened before the date of the Manimangalam inscription, end of A.D. 1046, and were not mentioned in that record.

^{*} SII. iii 28.

[†] The text is: "Kandar Dinakaran Naranan Canavadi vandalar teriyal Madisudanan." Hultzsch takes this to be four names; perhaps there are only three. In any case their identity cannot be made out fully though some of them seem to figure in the Western Calukya inscriptions of the time.

^{\$ 6} of 1890 (Yr. 30); 221 of 1894; 81 of 1895 (Yr, 82).

For all the vaunted successes of the Colas, the Calukyas seem to have retained their Effects. power unbroken. The provenance of the inscriptions of Someśvara, of which several are dated records, shows that the extent of the Calukyan empire on the side of the Tungabhadra continued undiminished. From the Hadagalli taluq of the Bellary district comes an inscription * of Trailokyamalladeva (Somēśvara I) dated (Śaka 968) early in A. D. 1047 recording a gift by the chieftain Kālidāsa, whose name figures also among the Telugu princelings † repulsed by the Cola troops in one of the numerous fights of the time. Two other records ‡ from the same region are dated in the next year, Saka 969, of which one records a gift of land to a Visnu temple by Mahāmandalēśvara Gandaradityarasa, 'lord of Mahismatipura,' ruling the Sindavādi 1000, Bennevīru 12 and Nuruganda as a vassal of Someśvara. This chieftain may perhaps be identified with Kandar-dinakaran of the Cola inscriptions. § Even if we do not accept the rhapsodies of Bilhana over Somesvara's conquest of Kanei or Vikramāditya's digrijaņa, we must assume that the repeated incursions of the Colas into Calukyan territory, however annoying to the king and detrimental to the happiness of his feudatories and subjects, resulted in no permanent loss of territory. On the other hand, the bulk of the fighting is on Calukyan territory, and in the course of the wars many large cities seem to have suffered considerable damage from the destructive fury of the invader. The aim of the Colas was apparently to reduce the Calukyas to political subjection such as that of the Pandya, Kēraļa and

^{* 484} of 1914. + 92 of 1892 (SII. iv 539) 1.31.

^{1 41} of 1904; 711 of 1919.

[§] Contra Hultzsch, SII. iii p. 57, n. 1.

Vengi kingdoms in this period. In this endeavour they failed totally. It would seem moreover that Somesvara succeeded in extending his influence, at least temporarily, over Vengi. His Mulgund inscription * dated A.D. 1053 speaks of one of his sons, Someśwaradeva, ruling over Belvola 300 and Puligere 300, as bearing the title Vengipura-varesvara. And there is found in Drākṣārāma a record of the same king † dated two years later (Saka 977) registering a gift by a daughter of one of his ministers, Nārāyana Bhatta by name. Though it is not impossible to find other explanations for these facts, ‡ and the evidence is thus of a very inconclusive nature, still, considering that Vikramāditya VI, the son of Somēśvara I, is said to have conquered Vengi, a claim supported by the presence of a number of his inscriptions at Drākṣārāma and other places in the Telugu country, the suggestion may be made that the Western Calukyas began to cast longing eves on Vengi even from the time of Somesvara I, or at least sought to divide the attention of their Cola opponents by a hostile movement in the direction of their northern dependency. If such was the policy pursued by Someśvara I, he only succeeded in exasperating the Colas the more and goading them to a more relentless hostility.

Rājādhirāja undertook another expedition against the Cāļukya in which he was accompanied by his younger brother Rājēndra, whom he had chosen as heir-apparent in preference to his sons who, though not mentioned by name, are said to have occupied fairly high positions in

^{*} El. xvi p. 53,

^{† 185} of 1893.

[‡] Fleet BG. I, ii pp. 440, n. 3 and 452-3. Also IA. xx p. 281 n. 39; and S. K. Aiyangar, Ancient India p. 120 n. 1.

the administration of the empire. * We get a vivid and obviously true description of the occurrences in this campaign from the records of Rājēndra II. The earliest mention of these events is in a record † of his second year A. D. 1054; more details are given in the Manimangalam record of his fourth year, A. D. 1055. This inscription records ‡ that the Cōla king sought an occasion for war, invaded the Rattamandalam and began ravaging the country; the proud Cālukya Āhavamalla became furious when he heard of this, and marching out with his forces he met the Cōla in pitched battle at Koppam, § a celebrated tīrtha on the Kṛṣṇā, most probably identical with Khidrāpūr on the right bank of the river about thirty miles east by

Battle of Koppam. South from Kölhäpür. The battle that followed was long and fiercely fought on either side. For determining its exact course we have to combine information furnished by some of Rājēndradēva's later inscriptions with that of the Maṇiniangalam record mentioned above. In the early stages of the battle, Rājādhirāja himself led the fight, Rājēndradēva apparently holding himself in reserve. At this stage, the Cāļnkya forces concentrated

^{*} SII, nii 28 l. 1, which also mentions an elder brother of the king, possibly passed over by Rājēndra 1.

^{† 214} of 1911. SII, iii, 55; n p. 304 A (of Yr. 3).

I SII. 111 29.

[§] Fleet El. xii pp. 296-8. Lat. 16°36', Long. 74°44'. For an earlier discussion of the identity of Koppam, EC. ix Introduction p. 16 n. 3, where attention is drawn to the reading in 168 of 1911—tirthakkoppattahavayil. Huttzsch rendered 'stpparundiratta' into: "The strength (of whose position is) hard to describe" (SII. iii p. 63). We must now read the phrase as: "sepparundirtta," meaning "a tirtha (whose merits are) hard to describe." Rajendradeva's introductions beginning Tirumagal maruviya use the phrase: "pragrangaraik-koppattu-vandedirtta Ahavamallan."

^{¶ 87} of 1895; 270 of 1915, both of the ninth year. A study of these records by the side of the Manimangalam inscription clearly shows that the latter has omitted the earlier stage of the battle in which Rajendra took no part and Rajadhiraja met his fate.

on the elephant on which the Cola king was riding and wounded him mortally, so that he "went up into the sky and became a sojourner in the country of Indra, where he was welcomed by the women of the sky." Then the vast ocean-like army of the Kuntalas dashed themselves against the Cola forces which, unable to withstand the ouslaught, broke up and began to retreat in disorder. At this stage, Rājēndradēva entered the fray shouting out to his retreating forces: "Fear not," and pressed forward on his elephant like very Death against the Karnataka forces, restored order in his army and won a brilliant success by further fighting. * Once more, the enemy concentrated on the Cola king's elephant, and "the shower of (Ahavamalla's) straight arrows pierced the forehead of his elephant, his royal thigh, and (his) shoulders which resembled hillocks, " and many warriors who had mounted the elephant with him perished in the action. But Rājēndra was fortunate than his brother; he succeeded in putting to death several leaders of the Calukyan army including Jayasimha, the brother of the Calukya, † Pulakesin, Dasapanman and Nanni-Nulumban. At last, "the Śalukki was defeated,—with Vanniya-Revan, ‡ Tuttan, (who had) a powerful army, Kundamayan, whose army spoke (i. e., threatened) death, and other princes,-fled, trembling vehemently, with dishevelled hair, turning (his) back, looking round, and tiring (his) legs, and was forced to plunge into the Western ocean." elephants and horses and camels, the victorious banner of the boar and other insignia of royalty, together with

[·] From this point the two accounts agree closely.

[†] This could not have been the younger brother of Vikramaditya VI; he survived the battle of Koppam for many years.

 $[\]ddagger$ Perhaps same as Rēvarasa, ruling in the neighbourhood of Kembhūvi in A. D. 1054-55. Fleet, BG, I. ii p. 439; SII. iii p. 59.

the peerless Sattiyavvai, Sangappai and all the other queens, a crowd of women and many other things abandoned by Ahavamalla on the field, became the booty of the Cola king. Rajendra then did a thing not known before, * and crowned himself king on the

battle-field, when the wounds he had received in the fight were still fresh on his body. According to some of the inscriptions, † Rājēndra pressed on to Kölhāpūr, where he planted a jayastambha, before he returned to his capital Gangāpurī. ‡ Such is the account of this celebrated fight at Koppam as narrated in the Cōla inscriptions. §

* 87 of 1895.

† SII. iii 55, ii p. 304 C.

‡ 87 of 1895.

§ In the Tirumaga! maruviya form of Rajendra's prasastis, the clause that occurs is: 'Tan munnon senai pinnaduraga munnedir sengu * * * Irattapadiyelarai-yilakkamun-gondu', often contracted into ' pinnadu vaga Irattapadi.' This is rendered by Hultzsch generally into "while the army of his elder brother was at his back." In the light of other records (esp. 87 of 1895) which clearly state that Rajadhiraja began the fight and Rajendra entered it after he died, we must, it seems, amend Hultzsch's translation and say-" while the army of his elder brother began to retire " a translation which is also required by the phrase employed in the fuller of the two forms quoted above, viz. "munnedir-sengu" "going to the front in an opposite direction", as also by the reading "munner senai pinnaduvaga," 'when the advancing army began to retreat" found in some records (SII. ii p. 305, F and G) and amended by llultrsch into "munnon senai." It is perhaps hardly conceivable, according to Indian notions of precedence, that while the elder brother was present in person on the battle-field, the younger took the lead; but this consideration need not be pressed as the cumulative force of all the inscriptions taken together is, doubtless, very clear. I may also observe that some records omit the word 'tan' in 'tan munnon' e.g., S/l. iii 55; on this account, it should not be assumed, as Hultzsch seems to do, that the phrase 'Tirumaruviya sengol vendan' refers to the elder brother, (S II. ii) p. 112-English translation).

It may also be observed, in passing, that the words: "tannānaiyi! munnānai fella munnānai tavirttu" SII, iii 55 (ll. 1-2), which occurs between "Iratṭapādi-yēļarai-yilakkamum-gondu" and "Kollā-purattu jaya-stamba-nāṭṭi," has been translated by Hultzsch into: "when the first elephant (of the enemy) went at his elephant, (his) elder brother stopped (it)." But this seems hardly satisfactory, as the words '(of the enemy)' introduce into the meaning a concept not warranted by the original, and the locative of the first "tannānaiyi!" seems to call for another explanation. I think that, in the context, 'ānai' should be taken to be a mis-spelling of 'āṇai' and the phrase translated into: "Displacing the old command (rule) by causing it to follow

The Calukya inscriptions of the reign of Somesvara tell us nothing of the battle of Koppam, and specific references to Cilukya inscriptions his warfare with the Colas are few. In silent on Saka 981 (expired) he had returned Koppam, from a conquest of the southern countries and a victory over the Cola, and was camping in the Sindavadi country, * a province ruled by a Mahāmandaleśvara Ciddana in Someśvara's Mahārāja. In Śaka 987 Visnuvarreign, dhana Vijayāditya was encamped at Arasiyakere on his way to the conquest of the south

under orders from the king. † Bilhaṇa's account has, as has been pointed out already, apparently no relation to facts and seems to be pure fabrication. Shortly after the close of Somēśvara's reign, however, we get two inscriptions, ‡ both dated about A. D. 1071, giving an account of the Cola invasion and

the death of Rājādhirāja. Though the date is late and the Cōla king is not named, it is easy to infer from the Cōla inscriptions that the transactions recorded here relate to the war that led to the battle of Koppan and the death of Rājādhirāja. § The vigorous language

his own commands." The suggestion made at ARE. 1900 I 20 in reviewing the Tiruköyilür inscription (123 of 1900, Yr. 6) of Rājāndra that the battle of Koppam was a later event than the expedition to Kollāpuram must be abandoned in view of the new identification of Koppam. The wording of the Tiruköyilür records (EI. vii pp. 145-6), however, seems to lend some support to Hultzsch's view, and many of the shorter introductions mention Kollāpuram before Koppam.

^{*} BG. I, ii, p. 441, 392 of 1920, ARE. 1921, 11 5.

[†] ARE. 1919 11. 30.

[‡] Annigere: BG. 1, ii p. 441; and Gawarwad EI. xv, 23. ed. Barnett. See also EC. viii Sorab 325.

[§] Fleet and, following him, Barnett ascribe the expedition and apparently the loss of life that followed to Rājēndradēva. But we have no evidence that Rājēndra lost his life in the Cāļukya wars, though he was present at Koppam. cf. SII. iii p. 53.

employed by these records against the Cola shows that the silence of the epigraphs of Somesvara's reign is really due to a reluctance to record publicly in his life-time unfortunate events that caused so much misery and suffering in his country at the hands of the foreign invader. The mahāpātaka great sinner) Tamilian known as Pāndya-Cola, we are told, took to an evil course (nele gettu) and abandoning the ancestral observances of his family, entered the Belvola country, burned several temples including Jinālayas erected by Ganga-perumanadi, and was promptly punished for his wicked deeds by losing his life in battle and yielding his head to Somesvara I. The Cola account of the war, we may therefore conclude, is not by any means a greatly overdrawn picture of their achievement on this occasion.

be known as "the king who died on the back of an elephant," and he is so styled in the inscriptions of his successfors. * From the time he was chosen as heirapparent by his father to the day when he laid down his life on the field of Koppam, Rājādhirāja led the life of a warrior king

^{* 193} of 1925 (Yr. 6 of Rājēndra II); possibly also 5 of 1899 of Rājarāja II (Yr. 6). This latter inscription, which is nearly one century later in its date, seems to mix up the achievements of Rājādhirāja I and Rājēndra II. It speaks of "Perumāļ Vijayarājēndra-dēva who was pleased to conquer Kalyāṇapuram and Kollāpuram and to fall asleep (i.e., to die) on an elephant "(SII. iii p. 191). Ifultzsch remarks: "This statement must refer to Parakēsarivarman alias Rājēndradēva, who is known to have set up a pillar of victory at Kollāpuram "—a view expressed with more caution in ARE. 1899 1 53 by Venkayya. 472 of 1920 from Saļukki (NA.) of the fourth year of Rājakēsari Rājēndra (Kulūttunga I) gives the same description much earlier than the record noticed by Hultzsch; the title Vijayarājēndra is not, however, given here Rājēndradēva nowhere claims to have conquered Kalyāṇapuram, did not have the title Vijayarājēndra, and as far as we know, did not die on an elephant in battle. These features distlactly recall Rājādhirāja I (ARE. 1925 II 16), whose third year would fall, however, about A. D. 1021, in the

and took part in many campaigns led by him in person. His record strikes one as that of a born fighter and his warlike energy found full scope in the task of maintaining intact an overgrown empire that had risen on the ruin of old ruling families which never reconciled themselves to subjection to the Colas. Some of this fighting, like the fatal expedition that led to Koppam, was of his own seeking. Rājādhirāja was first and foremost a soldier, and possibly his great military talent formed the reason for his being preferred for the succession against an elder brother of his. His performance of the aśvamēdha apparently in his father's life-time goes a long way to confirm this view.

Briefly and without much detail, Rājādhirāja's praśastis tell us that he employed his father's brother, his brothers, elder and younger, and his sons, in important offices of state and constituted them into subordinate rulers of particular regions. The star of Rājādhirāja's nativity was Pūrva-Phālguni. * Gangaikonḍa-Śōlapuram was his capital. † His queens do not figure

Queens. as prominently in his records as is usual in those of other reigns; Trailōkyam Uḍaiyār was the title, rather than the name, of one of them, ‡ who, if she was the same as the nambirāṭṭiyār mentioned in an inscription of the third year of Rājēndra II, § may be taken to have survived her

reign of Rājēndra I. (See also 472 of 1920—Vr. 4 of Kulūttunga I). If this view is correct, I am not sure it is, the theory, that during the Alangudi famine the state could not help the sufferers owing to the treasury being impoverished by the horse-sacrifice of Rājādhirāja (ARE. 1899 I 53), cannot stand. But after all the famine might have occurred in the reign of Rājāndra II, about A. D. 1055; only the king might have been wrongly described in the record of Rājārāja II. The horse-sacrifice is, however, mentioned in the inscriptions of Rājādhirāja as early as the 26th year, A.D. 1044, if not earlier.

^{* 258} of 1910 (Yr. 35).

^{† 420} of 1925 (Yr. 35).

^{1 446} of 1918 (Yr. 24).

^{§ 213} of 1894.

husband. Besides the title Vijayarājēndra assumed by him at Kalyāṇapuram, Rājādhirāja had other surnames like Vīrarājēndra-varman, * Āhavamalla-kulāntaka, † and Kalyāṇapurangoṇḍaśōļa. ‡ Mention is made of a spiritual preceptor (gurudēvar) of the king by name Adhikārikaļ Pārāśaryan Vāsudēvanārāyaṇan, also called Ulagaļanda-śōļa-Brahmamārāyan; § one wonders if Ulagaļanda-ṣōļa was also a title of Rājādhirāja, and whether a revenue survey was undertaken, in his reign, of a part of the country. ¶ Among the feudatories of

Feudatories. Rājādhirāja mentioned in his records may be noticed Dandanayakan Śolan Kumaran Parantaka Mārāyan alias Rājādhirāja Nīla-gangaraiyar; a certain Pillaiyar Sola-vallabha-deva whose wife was called Pañcavan-mahādēviyār **; Daņdanāyaka Appimayya, †† governor of Mahārājavādi 7000, who had Vallūru in the Cuddapah district as the seat of his government, and who may or may not be the same as Rājarāja Brahmādhirāja ‡‡ who is mentioned in the very next year as ruler of the same province; and Pillaiyār Vismuvardhana-dēva, doubtless Rājarāja I of Vēngī, whose queen Ammangādēvi was the daughter of Rājēndra I and the sister of Rājādhirāja, and who is said to have presented, in A.D. 1050, three hundred Rājarāja-mādas, gold coins of the Vēngī kingdom, to the temple at Tiruvaiyaru in the Tanjore district. §§ also Sēnāpati Rājēndrasola vanarayar, an official who apparently took his title

^{* 78} of 1920 (Yr. 33).

^{+ 188} of 1919 (Yr. 35).

^{1 258} of 1910 (Yr. 35).

^{§ 413} of 1902 (Yr. 33).

[¶] Tirukkalukkungam is called Ulagalanda-solapuram in a record of the 26th year (172 of 1894).

^{| 102} of 1912, ** 85 of 1920. ++ 279 of 1895. ‡‡ 295 of 1922.

^{§§ 221} of 1894 (SII. v 520). Visnuvardhana has been identified with the future Kulöttunga I in ARE. 1895 I, 11.

from Rājēndra I under whom his public career might have begun, and who made a large endowment for higher education, of which more will be said in another place.

Turning now to an account of the reign of Rājēndradēva, whose independent rule Rājēndra II. must have commenced some time in A. D. 1054-5, his inscriptions contain, like those of his predecessor, a variety of forms of his prasastis. The shortest form is a summary narration His prasastis. of his successes beginning Irattapādi and found in his records from his second year * onwards. Having much in common with this, but slightly more elaborate. is the form which begins tiru(magal) maruviya also dating from his second year. † But the chief prasasti of the reign is the long account beginning tirumādu (or mādar) puviyenum, first appearing in the fourth year, ‡ and undergoing a revision in a subsequent edition, so to say, about the ninth year. § The main differences between the two forms in the treatment of the celebrated battle of Koppam have been dealt with in our account of that fight. The other points in which the later version differs from the earlier are: the omission of all other particulars of the Ceylon war except the mention of Vīra Salāmēghan; the definite statement that after proclaiming himself king on the battle-field in an unprecedented manner, Rajendra returned to

^{*214} of 1911. In 421 of 1903 the king seems to be called Rājarāja by mistake. Sewell: (HISI. p. 72) adopts A. D. 1052, May 28, the date of the accession of Rājēndradēva, for the battle of Koppam. But we have no evidence that Rājēndra did not become heir-apparent some time before the battle.

^{† 81} of 1928. 173 of 1894 (Yr. 5) has 'nilaviya' for 'maruniya,' but is otherwise the same.

^{‡ 3} of 1892, (SII, iii 29); 396 of 1913. § 87 of 1895; 270 of 1915.

Gangāpurī; a slightly different account of the disposition of the administrative places held by the members of the royal family, given not at the beginning of the record as in the earlier version, but at a later stage; and an account, altogether new, of a fresh war with the Cāļukyas.

Both the Kalingattupparani and the Vikrama
solan-ulā make pointed reference to

Rājēndra's part in the battle of

Koppam. The former records that the
king fought fiercely in the battle and saved 'the world'
by his success and celebrated his coronation on the
field of battle.* The ulā, with intelligible hyperbole,
says † that with the aid of a single elephant he
captured a thousand of the enemy at Koppam.

Among the king's relatives installed in different posts in the empire, the Manimangalam inscription of the fourth year mentions Employment of relatives in no fewer than thirteen persons,-a offices. paternal uncle (śiriya-tātai) of the king, four younger brothers of his, six sons and two grandsons. ‡ The later records of the reign give a shorter list of only six persons so employed comprising the paternal uncle of the earlier record, his son-a new figure, only three of the four younger brothers mentioned before, and one son of the king, Rajendrasolan; why the rest are omitted it is not easy to explain. One wonders if they had all died in the interval, or were found unfit even for subordinate

^{*} viii 27. + 11, 38-40.

[‡] SII. iii p. 58. 'Kādalar' definitely means 'sons' in this record; Rājēndrasola one of the 'kādalar' is clearly called 'tan-tirumagan' in 87 of 1895, (contra. Hultzsch. op. cit. p. 62 n. 9)—unless indeed, we must assume the more general meaning for 'kādalar,' take 'tirumagan' to be a loose expression for son-in-law, and identify Rājēndra with Kulottunga I. But the phrase 'kādalar kādalar,' clearly means grandsons; and this clearly favours the first suggestion.

In fewer numbers in the later years.

There seems to be no evidence whatever by which this can be settled. The fact deserves to be noted, however, in view of somewhat hasty statements which, on very sleuder evidence, fasten on

Kulottunga I a series of cold-blooded political murders calculated to clear his way to the Cola throne.* The date of the shorter list would fall about A. D. 1061, or nine years before the accession of Kulottunga. Among the titles conferred on these members of the royal family, some like Cola-Paudyan, Cola-Gangan and Cola-Keralan perhaps connoted the charge of the administration of the particular provinces named; others seem to have been merely titles of personal distinction giving no idea of the spheres of their duties, if any. Such titles are Irumadi-solan, Karikāla-śolan, Uttama-śolan, Vijayālayan, and even names like Śōla - vAyōddhirājan and Śōla - Kannakucciyan. Only the Cola-Pandya viceroys seem to have left behind a number of inscriptions of their own in the land over which they held sway; but even in their case, it is extremely difficult to identify the particular viceroy from his records, the first viceroy Jatāvarman Sundara alone excepted. †

Rājēndra's son, also called Rājēndra-śōla in the records noticed above, was perhaps chosen heir-apparent some time about A. D. 1059, and assumed the title Rājakēsari Rājamahēndra. One inscription ‡ of his third year

^{*} ARE. 1899 I, 51.

[†] He quotes his father's praiasti in some records. For the others many guesses have been put forward. See notes in the Appendix under 'Cola-Pandya' inscriptions.

^{‡ 119} of 1902. His other records begin in three ways: Manunidi-murai-valara; tirumangai-valara; tirumangal-vilanga: none of them is of any historical value.

claims a victory for him against Āhavamalla at Muḍak-kāru, and furnishes valuable confirmation of the events relating to another Cāļukya war narrated in more detail in the inscriptions of the ninth year of his father. We learn from these latter * that the Cāļukya, anxious to wipe out the disgrace that befell him on the field of Koppam, advanced with numerous forces led by Daṇḍanāyaka Vālādēva and other chieftains of the army, and a battle ensued on the banks of the

Muḍakkāṇu. (winding river) in which the Daṇḍanāyaka and his followers fell, Irugaiyan and others were forced to retreat together with their king and the proud Vikkalan, unable to resist the vigorous attack of the Cōļa forces. The inscription of Rājamahēndra says, likewise, that by a war-elephant, he caused Āhavamalla to turn his back on the Muḍakkāṇu. As it often happened that in the Cāļukya wars several Cōļa princes fought together on the same field, the inscriptions of successive rulers also often supplement each other.

It is possible, therefore, that the future Vīrarājēndra was also present on this field; and if that was so, this battle must be treated as identical with that of Kūḍal-Śangamam of the records of Vīrarājēndra. A long description of this battle of Kūḍal-Śangamam, with some details not found in Rājēndra's records, is given in Vīrarājēndra's inscriptions even of the second year † (A. D. 1063-4). It seems hardly likely that two first-class engagements took place on the same field in less than three or four years. In some of his later inscriptions ‡ occur expressions which imply that

^{* 87} of 1895; S.H. v. p. 271 ll. 32-39. † 113 of 1896; 718 of 1909.

^{\$} SII. iii. 84, 1. 8. Hultzsch thinks this a reference to the fourth encounter preceding that in which Kampili was burnt (ibid. p. 195.)

Vīrarājēndra had taken part in the fight at Muḍak-kāru before he became king, and that, in consequence, he came to be called Iraṭṭarāja-kula-kālan. If this view is correct, at least three Cōlas were present at the battle of Kūḍal-Śangamam and took part in the fight: the king Rājēndradēva, the heir-apparent Rājamahēndra, and the king's brother Vīra-Cōla Karikāla (Vīrarājēndra), whose achievements came to be recorded in his inscriptions in detail when, after the death of Rājamahēndra, he became heir-apparent and later king.

The account of the battle of Kūdal-Sangamam and its antecedents given in the early battle in Vīrarājēninscriptions of Vīrarājēndra is as dra's inscriptions. follows:*

"(He) drove from the battle-field in Gangapādi into the Tungabhadrā the Mahāsāmantas, whose strong hands (wielded) cruel bows, along with Vikkalan who fought under (his) banner at the head of the battle. † (He) attacked and destroyed the irresistible, great and powerful army which he (viz., Vikkalan) had again despatched into Vēngai-nāḍn; fought the Mādaṇḍa-nāyakan Cāmuṇḍarājan and cut off his head; ‡ and severed the nose from the face of his (viz., Cāmuṇḍarāja's) only daughter, called Nāgalai, (who was) the queen of Irugaiyan and who resembled a peacock in beauty.

"The enemy, full of hatred, met and fought against (him) yet a third time, hoping that (his former) defeats would be revenged. (The king) defeated countless sāmantas, together with these (two) sons of Ahavamalla, who were called Vikkalan and Singanan, at Kūḍal-Śangamam on the turbid river. Having sent the brave van-guard in advance, and having himself remained

^{*} SII. iii. p. 37 (ll. 3-8) identical with 113 of 1895.

[†] I have adopted the reading: "ikalmunai virudoqu malaikkum" of 113 of 1896.

[‡] Hultzsch translates: "fergavan-firattinai-yaguttu" into "cut off the head of the corpse" apparently failing to notice that "fergavan" is made up of "fergu" and "avan." cf. fergu van-firattinai (113 of 1896).

close behind with the kings allied to him, he agitated by means of a single mast elephant that army (of the enemy), which was arrayed (for battle), (and which) resembled the northern ocean. In front of the banner troop, * (he) cut to pieces Singan, (the king) of warlike Kosalai; along with the furious elephants of his van-guard. While Kesava-dandanāyaka, Kettarasan, Mārayan of great strength, the strong Pottarayan and (Ireccayan) were fighting, (he) shouted "(Follow) Mūvēndi, (who wears) a garland of gold!" and cut to pieces many samantas, who were deprived of weapons of war. Then Maduvanan, who was in command, fled; Vikkalan fled with dishevelled hair; Singanan fled, (his) pride (and) courage forsaking (him); Annalan and all others descended from the male elephant on which they were fighting in battle, and fled; Ahavamalla, too, to whom (they were) allied, tled before them. (The king) stopped his fast furious elephant, put on the garland of victory, (seized) his (viz., Ahavamalla's) wives, his family treasures, conches, parasols, trumpets, drums, canopies, † white camaras, the boar-banner, the ornamental arch (makara-tōraṇa), the female elephant (called) Puspaka, ‡ and a herd of war-elephants, along with a troop of prancing horses, and, amidst (general) applause, put on the crown of victory, (set with) jewels of red splendour."

. Compared to that in Rajendra's records.

Irugaiyan is said in Rajendradeva's records to have fled with Ahavamalla, Vikramaditya and others from the of Mudakkāru; his wife suffered mutilation in the Vengi fight of Vira-

rājēndra with Camnadarāya just before the battle of Kūdal-Śangamam. And Vīrārājēndra is said to have 'seen the back of the hostile Salukki' at Mudakkaru before he became king, and there seems to be no other campaign narrated in Vīrarājēndra's inscriptions that will explain this last reference unless it be the battle of Kūdal-Sangamam, described in such detail and said to have taken place before his second year. It is

[•] i. e. the van-guard (of the Cola king)-Hultzsch.

⁺ Migha-dambar.

¹ The text is Puspakap-pidiyum.

difficult to resist the conclusion, already suggested, that the Mudakkāru of the records of Rājēndradēvā and Rājamahēndra and the Kūdal-Sangamam of the early records * of Vīrarājēndra refer to one and the same engagement. The same event is apparently once at least mentioned under the name of Mudakkāru in the inscriptions of Vīrarājēndra himself.

Where Rājēndra's records simply state that Āhavamallā desired to avenge himself for the defeat at Koppam and advanced in great force, those of Vīrarājēndra show us the extent of the progress made by the Cāļukyas by recording the necessity for chasing them through Gangapāḍi to the banks of the Tnngabhadrā and thereby indicate how little the Cāļnkyas had suffered in the actual extent of the territory ruled by them even after Koppam. They also imply, by what they say about Cāmuṇḍarāya's movement against Vēngī, that an important, but unsuccessful, attempt was made by the Cāļnkyas to divide the attention of the Cōļas between two fronts. This is noteworthy as evidence of the interest of the

Western Cāļukyas in Vēngī apart from any complications arising with regard to the succession after the death of Rājarāja-narēndra. † We have already had some evidence, though slight, of the eagerness of the Western Cāļukyas to court the friendship of their Eastern cousins. In fact the possession of Vēngī made the Cōļas formidable to the Western Cāļukyas; the Cōļas well understood the importance of Vēngī to them and took care to marry their princesses to the rulers of Vēngī for generations together and otherwise to keep

^{*} Another engagement fixed at this same place for a later day did not come off. See post. pp. 326 ff.

[†] Contra S. K. Aiyangar-Ancient India p. 121.

on friendly terms with them. For the same reason, the Western Cāļukyas, who looked upon Vēngī as a lost dominion, made vain efforts to undo the results of their slackness when it was too late. *

Kūdal-Śangamam must be located at the junction of the Tungabhadrā and Kṛṣṇā rivers, † Kildal-The first battle at this place, the one Sangamam., with which we are now concerned, took place after the Calukyas were driven across the Gaugapādi up to the banks of the Tungabhadrā, and after the failure of an expedition sent into Vengi by the Calukyas. On a later occasion, when the Calukya failed to meet Vīrarājendra at the same place as previously arranged, the Cola planted a pillar of victory on the banks of the Tungabhadra before he retired. 1 The Sangamam meant by the inscriptions must, therefore, be some confluence of rivers on the course of the Tungabhadra. The choice lies

† SII. iii. p. 32.

1 SII. lii. 30, 1. 26.

^{*} Another view of these events is possible. Mudakkuru may not be Kudal-Sangamam; Irugaiyan may have fought at Mudakkagu, and this need have no connection with the mutilation of his wife in the Vengi campaign of Virarajendra, which preceded the first battle of Kudal-Sangamam. As Virarajendra's record is dated in his second year (c. A.l). 1064) and the E. Calukya Rajaraja-narendra died in 1063, it is just possible that Vikramāditya's entry into Vēngi (Camundarāya's expedition) was connected with some succession dispute after Rājarāja's death. On this scheme, we have to assume that the battle of Mudakkaruwhatever river may be meant-took place c. A.D. 1000, and three years or so later came the first battle of Kudal-Sangamam recorded in the inscriptions of A.D. 1064. On the whole the view adopted in the text, based on the identification of Mudakkagu with Kudal-Sangamam, seems simpler, and there appears to be nothing that can be urged against such a position. It should also be observed, in this connection, that Virarajendra's inscriptions of the second year say nothing about his helping Vijayaditya to gain or regain the Vengi throne,-an event which is not mentioned as having taken place till after the second battle of Kūdal-Sangamam and about the fifth-year of Vīrarājēndra (c. A.D. 1067). So that if we drop the somewhat uncritical assumption that Vikramaditya and Virarajendra concerned themselves about Vengi only after Rajaraja-narendra's death, the course of events becomes clear and perhaps more easy to follow.

between Kūḍali at the junction of the Tungā and Bhadrā in Mysore, or that of the Tungabhadrā and the Kṛṣṇā. While the name Kūḍali points to the former as the site of Kūḍal-Śangamam, the Vēngī interlude seems to make the latter more probable; a satisfactory identification of Kāndai or Karandai, where the Cōḷa awaited the Cāḷukya for about a month on the second occasion, may decide the choice more definitely. *

The latest regnal year in Rajendra's records is the twelfth, † corresponding to A. D. 1063. Close of Rajen-He was succeeded by Vīrarājēndra dra's reign. already heir-apparent for sometime after the death of Rajamahendra. Gangapuri continued to be the Cola capital under Rajendra II and is mentioned as such in an inscription from Kanyakumāri, ‡ while another from Kuttālam makes mention of a big bazaar within the fort of this capital city. § Of the queens of Rajendra, only one is mentioned by name in his records, a Kilānadigal. His danghter Madhurantaki was the wife of the Eastern Calukya prince Rajendra II, afterwards Kulöttunga I. ¶ Among the feudatories of Rajendradeva II, prominent mention is made in his records of the Milada chieftain Narasimhavarman who is said to have ruled Miladu

^{*} Fleet suggested the confluence of the Pañca-gangā and the Kṛṣṇā in the neighbourhood of Khidrāpūr (Koppam) as the Kūdal-Sangamam of the Cōla inscriptions; and identified Karandai with lācal Karanji in the same place (El. xii p. 298). But as he does not seem to have written the more detailed note promised by him on the subject, it is impossible to see how he would have met the objections to these identifications that arise from the narrative of the campaign as given in the Cōla records which do not once mention Raṭṭapāḍi as having been entered by the Cōla forces on this occasion. On the later occasion Raṭṭapāḍi is said to have been devastated; but the pillar is erected on the banks of the Tungabhadīā.

^{+ 144} of 1898,

[‡] TAS. i 164-8.

^{• 6 102} of 1926 (Yr. 9).

[¶] El. v. p. 77 v. 11; Cellur v. 12.

2000 after his abhişēka and coronation under this title. * Others were Sēnāpati Araiyan Kaḍakkan-goṇḍa-sōlan, † and Sēnāpati Jayamuri-nāḍālvān who is mentioned in an inscription from Ceylon, ‡ and who may be identical with Araiyan Rājarājan alias Vīrarājēndra Jayamuri-nāḍālvān of another inscription from Karuvūr. §

The Vikramašōlan-ulā ¶ records that Rājamahēndra made for Ranganātha, the god of Śrīrangam, a serpent-couch set with many precious stones; and the Kōyil-olugu, a late work on the antiquities and traditions of the Śrīrangam temple, though it knows nothing of the serpent-couch, mentions || many structural alterations in the temple as the work of Rājamahēndra, commemorated in the name Rājamahēndran - tiruvīdi. An inscription ** of the twelfth year of Kulōttunga I from the Salem district states that in Rājamahēndra's reign there was a land revenue assessment in Kollimalai-nāḍu. The name of Rajamahēndra's queen, Lōkamahādēvi, seems to be preserved in a fragmentary inscription from Cidambaram. ††

For a study of the reign of Rājakēsari Vīrarājēndra I, (accession A. D. 1062-3), we possess a considerable number of inscriptions with prasastis in two main forms and in various redactions, which fit into one another with remarkable correctness. ‡‡ The longer prasasti beginning Tiruvaļar-tiraļ-puyattu gives in its earlier form a list of the king's relations on whom he conferred

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    EI. vii. pp. 145-6.
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§ SII. iii. 21.

¶ 11. 40-42.

tt 612 of 1930.

^{† 84} of 1895.

^{‡ 612} of 1912.

In the section on Rajamahendran kainkaryam.

^{** 502} of 1930.

^{‡‡} An admirable discussion of Vīrarājēndra's records by Hultzsch is found at SII. iii pp. 192-6.

various official positions, * but omits this list in its later editions. † The prasasti grows in length as the reign advances, and new events are incorporated in it. The shorter introduction beginning Vīramē-tuṇaiy-āgavum passes through many changes and attains in the seventh year an altogether new cast, and records facts not otherwise known. These changes will be noticed subsequently when they are of any historical importance. The Kalingattupparaṇi and the Vikrama-sōlan-ulā record no events of the reign of Vīrarājēndra other than the battle of Kūḍal-Śangamam. The Takka-yāgapparaṇi, ‡ on the other hand, mentions his friendship with Vikramāditya VI.

Early in his reign, the king appointed § Madhurāntaka, described as his son tan-tirup-pudalvan, to rule over Tondaimandalam with the title Colendra; another Gangaikonda-śola, also called son, tindiral maindan, was made the Cola-Pandya viceroy over the Pandya country. It is difficult to decide, in the light of subsequent events, whether the terms pudalvan and maindan are to be understood literally or only as terms of endearment applied to more distant relatives. Nor, on the former assumption, can it be decided if either of them was the son who was the brother-in-law of the Calukya Vikramaditya VI and who had a short rule, on Vīrarājēndra's death, as Parakēsari Adhirājēndra. The king's elder brother Alavandan and a certain Mudikonda-solan also received titles and recognition; but though they too seem to have been placed in administrative charge of

^{*} SII. iii 20; 113 of 1896 (SII. v. 976). † SII. iii, 30.

[‡] V. 774. Pandit V. Swaminatha Aiyar's identification of this king with Rājarāja II seems rather doubtful.

^{§ 113} of 1896; SII. iii. 20, p. 33.

parts of the empire, the inscriptions do not tell us what exactly were the areas so entrusted to them.

The early wars of Virarajendra against the Western Cāļukyas, which resulted in Early Wars. the battle of Kūdal-Śangamam graphically described in the inscription of his second year from Tiruvenkādu, * were fought by him, as already observed, perhaps before he came to the throne or was even recognised as the successor to his elder brother Rājēndradēva. The bitterness that characterised the Calukya wars of this period becomes clear from the eagerness of Vīrarājēndra to count up every little victory gained by him or his lieutenants as a personal affront to Somesvara I Ahavamalla. "In perfect accordance with the longer redaction of the introduction, in which the battle of Kūdal-Sangamam is stated to have been the third encounter with the Calukyas, the Tirunāmanallūr inscription of the fourth year attributes to Vīrarājēndra I the biruda 'who saw the back of Ahavamalla three times'." † The Kanyākumāri inscription also gives a general description of the battle of Kūdal-Sangamam, not very different in character. ± In the Karuvur inscription of the fourth year, § we hear for the first time that Vīrarājēndra killed the king of Pottappi, the Kēraļa, the younger brother of king Dhārāvarşa, and Vīrakēsari, the son of the Pāndya Śri Vallabha. The Manimangalam inscription ¶ of the next year adds to this list an expedition against Udagai and the Kēraļas, from which Vīrarājēndra returned after collecting a large tribute in the form of elepliants. Whether these achievements, altogether obscure in their nature and origin, were part of the

I v. 76. § SII. iii 20. ¶ SII. iii 30.

^{* 113} of 1896. † Hultzsch, SII. iii. p. 193.

continuous war with the Cāļukyas that forms the central feature of this reign, or were minor punitive expeditions which had nothing to do with this war, there is no doubt that the 'hot battle' which is next mentioned as having taken place by previous engagement on the banks of a river, of unknown name, did form part of the Cōḷa-Cāḷukya hostilities. For in this battle seven Cāḷukya generals who are named and the kings of the Gangas, the Nulumbas, the Kāḍavas and the Vaidumbas are said to have suffered decapitation; and before the Cōḷa king could get their heads nailed to the gates of his capital, Gangaikoṇḍa-śōḷa-puram, * the Cāḷukya king, stung by the intolerable disgrace that had befallen his troops on this field, was roused to a greater effort against his Cōḷa opponent.

Kūdal-Sangamam again. Someśwara, we learn, reproached himself saying: 'It is much better to die than to live in disgrace,' and wrote

than to live in disgrace,' and wrote and despatched a letter to the Cōla king in which he assigned as the field for the next battle the very spot at Kūḍal whence his sons and himself had fled before in utter rout, and declared that whoever did not come, through fear, to the appointed field, should thenceforth be no kings but outcastes † who had incurred disgrace in war. This message from the Cālukya, when it was delivered to Vīrarājēndra, greatly pleased him. Accordingly he set out for the fight, and awaited at Kāndai the arrival of the Cālukya king for one full month beyond the date fixed by him. The Cālukya ran away and hid himself in the Western ocean; and the Cōla king subdued all resistance in Irattapāḍi by putting

^{*} It must be noted that all the events up to this point are mentioned in a fourth year record found in Majūr, of which only the *prašasti* is preserved (194 of 1911: EC. ix Cp. 85.)

[†] The term "piraffa" seems to be the Sanskrit word "bhrasfa" rather than the Tamil "puraffam" a fraud or liar contra Hultzsch SII, iii p. 69.

to flight Dēvanātha, Šitti and Kēśi, each in a separate direction, and by setting fire to towns; he also planted a pillar of victory on the banks of the Tungabhadrā. Then the Cōla monarch seems to have made an effigy of Sōmēśvara and subjected it to various indignities, * before turning his attention to Vēngī where, apparently

This, I think, is the real meaning, as suggested by A. V. Venkatarama Aiyar (Life and Times of Calukya Vikramaditya VI. Tamil Edn. pp. 22-3 and n. 3). Hultzsch understands this rather obscure passage as referring to Virarājendra's alliance with Vikramāditya. But that, I think, belongs to a later stage of the war when Somesvara I was no more and to the first fight of Virarajendra with Somesvara II. On the present occasion, Virarajendra is still fighting the entire family of Someivara I and on every front. The division between Vikramaditya VI and his brother which gave Virarajendra the chance of an alliance with the former did not, it seems, arise until after the death of Somesvara I. of which Vīrarājēndra had no knowledge on this occasion. The Manimangalam inscription of the fifth year, therefore, cannot be said to anticipate, as Hultzsch says it does (SII. iii pp. 194-195), the events recorded in the inscriptions of the sixth and seventh years of Virarajendra. For one thing, the word pirattan in i. 27 of the Manimangalam record makes it impossible for us to identify him with Vikramaditya VI (cf. l. 22 of the same record; also Takkayagapparani v. 774, where pirattan, an unfriendly Calukya, is contrasted with irattan, a friendly one). Again the expressions of the records of the sixth and seventh years make it clear that they are referring to a single occasion, which is different from that of the Manimangalam record and in which Vikramaditya became friends with Virarajendra. SII. iii. 83. (Yr. 6), says that Virarajendra burnt Kampili and occupied Karadigal before Somesvara (II) could untie his neckiace (11. 7-8), and this is the first occasion of an encounter with the Calukyas after the conquest of Vengi on behalf of Vijayaditya VII; 84 (Yr. 7) records (11. 5-6) that on the same occasion, Someivara (11) was forced to abandon the Kannaradesa and that the submissive Vikramaditya was invested with the necklace by the Cola king. The Vikramankadeva Carita also places the alliance between its hero and the Cola king some time after Somesvara I's demise and on the banks of the Tungabiadra; and according to the same poem, at the time of his father's death, Vikramaditya was absent on a conquering tour which extended to Vengi and Cakrakuta, which, again, seems very probable, as Vīrarājēndra himself had to go off to Vengt after Somesvara I failed to keep his engagement with him at Kudal-Sangamam. Lastly, it does not seem necessary to assume that the kanthika (necklace) was necessarily a symbol of heir-apparentship and not of kingship in general, and hold, as Hultzsch does (SII iii p. 194), that in the sixth year of Vîrarājendra, Somesvara was alive and Somesvara Il was still only crown-prince (IA. xx p. 267 under 17-Vijayaditya V and the references given there). Even if the kanihika was a symbol of subordinate position, Somesvara Il's untying it may mean that his father was no more and that he had become ruler in his own right, - probably the best view of the situation.

owing to the exertions of the Western Cāļukyas, things had gone against Vijayāditya, the ally of Vīrarājēndra.

The question why Somesvara I failed to keep an engagement fixed by himself and thus Absence of suffered once again the imputation of Someivara. cowardice at the hands of his Cola enemy cannot be answered with certainty. The date of the occurrence was some time in the fifth year of Vīrarājēndra, and from the details preserved in the record the exact day which is mentioned in the Manimangalam inscription is seen to have been Monday 10th September A.D. 1067. * Someśwara sought relief from an incurable disease by religious drowning in the Tungabhadra and the date of this occurrence was March 29, A. D. 1068. † The assumption has generally been made that Someśvara's absence from Kūdal-Sangamam on this occasion was due to his illness and death. ‡ It should, however, be observed that as early as the 10th September A.D. 1067 we find recorded not only the absence of Someśvara from Kūdal-Śangamam but the subsequent campaign of Vīrarājēndra in Vēngī and Cakrakūta which resulted in the restoration of the Vengi kingdom to Vijayaditya VII. On the other hand, Bilhana states distinctly that Vikramaditya VI was encamped on the banks of the Kṛṣṇā § on his way back home after his conquests when the news of his father's death reached him. And his language, though we cannot be sure about it, seems to rule out the protracted illness of Somesvara I, who was suddenly

^{*} EI, vii p. 9.

[†] Vikramankadeva Carita iv 44-68; EC. vii Sk. 136.

[‡] Dr. S. K. Aiyangar Ancient India p. 123; A. V. Venkatarama Aiyar op. cit. p. 28.

[§] iv 36.

taken ill, in the midst of his rejoicing over his son's successes in the digrijaya. Unsatisfactory as it seems, we can, for the present, only assume that if Somesvara's absence was due to illness, his ailment was of a rather longer duration than Bilhana's account implies.

The conflicting nature of our sources and the fecundity of modern research, carried Vēngī affairs. out sometimes under the subtle influence of the nascent patriotism of the Andhra country. have greatly obscured the course of events in the Vengi kingdom during this period; one can hardly be too cautions in dealing with this phase of our subject. A more detailed consideration, however tentative, of the course of events in Vengi will become necessary when we reach the problems connected with the accession of Kulöttniga I to the Cola throne. Here we may note simply the facts as they are gathered from the inscriptions and the Vikramankadeva Carita which seem to speak for themselves. The Manimangalam inscription records that from Kūdal-Sangamam Vīrarājēndra proceeded to Vēngī, after issuing a challenge to the Calukya, saying: "We do not intend to return (home) till after we reconquer the good Vengi country, once ours; listen! if you are a Vallava, * come and defend." This challenge to the Calukya is a clear indication that the Vengi country had just at that time passed into the hands of the W. Cālukyas from Vīrarājēndra or from his ally, Vijayaditva VII, The rhapsody of Bilhana on Vikramāditya's diquijaya during the life-time of his father seems to furnish the clue to the real situation by including Vengi and Cakraknta t in an otherwise

+ iv. 29, 30.

Means both 'a strong man' and 'Calukya.'

impossible list of conquests attributed to him. Apparently Vikramāditya did succeed in transferring Vēngī and Cakrakūṭa from their rulers to himself and adding them to his father's dominions. Attention has been drawn already to the evidence from some Western Cālukya records of this period showing their eagerness to gain control of Vēngī. But if the Maṇimangalam record speaks truly, the success of Vikramāditya in the

east was shortlived; for it states that in a decisive battle on the banks of the Kṛṣṇā, in the neighbourhood of Bezwāda, Vīrarājēndra inflicted a crushing defeat on the Western Cāļukya forces commanded by Jananātha,* Rājamayan and others compelling them to flee into the jungle for refuge. After this, the Cōļa crossed the Gōdāvari, marched across Kalingam and beyond Cakkarakkōṭṭam. † Having thus regained Vēngī, he bestowed it on Vijayāditya who had sought his protection, before he returned to his capital Gangāpurī, adorned by the splendour of victory gained in many a fight. ‡

The second engagement at Kūḍal-Śangamam, which Āhavamalla failed to keep, and the resumption of the Vēngī country, which followed, are briefly alluded

- * We have a number of undated inscriptions at Drākṣārāma recording vows taken by chieftains promising exclusive allegiance to Srī Parāntaka, Konērinmai-koṇḍār Sarvalökāśraya Śrī Viṣṇuvardhana Mahārāja. Perhaps Vīrarājēndra is meant by these titles and the records are of this period (SII iv. 1269-1275).
- † 182 of 1915 distinctly says that the Calukya forces were met at Sakkarak-köttam and defeated by Vīrarājēndra paqaik-kāqalīvi vaļa-tifaic-Cakkarak-köttattu puk-kuļangeļunda Šaļukkiyat tānaiyaik-kanal-paqa nūgi: cf. also the early inscriptions of Kulöttunga.
- ‡ Hultzsch has clearly misunderstood the phrase—"igaliqaipplinqa jayattiru-voqum" which he translates into: "with the goddess of victory, who had shown hostility in the interval," and in which he sees "an admission of the fact that the Colas had experienced reverses." SII. iii. p. 70 and n. 4. The "idat" after "igal" is clearly a locative suffix to the preceding word meaning battle, not 'hostility', in the context.

to in the shorter prasastis of the fifth year of Virarajendra I. * These imply that, by the reconquest of Vēngī, Vīrarājēndra fulfilled some vow made by his elder brother; † though we cannot be sure of it, this perhaps means that the Cola control over Vengi had been lost some time during the reign of Rajendradeva II and that he had died without being able to recover it; if this view is correct, the Western Calukya occupation of Vengi must have been more complete and lasted longer than has so far been believed, and Someśvara I must have recompensed himself for the defeat at Koppam by substantial success in another direction. The Kanyāknmāri inscription # also states that Vengi and Kalinga, though part of the hereditary dominion of the Colas, had been neglected by his brother and allowed to fall under the occupation of hostile kings, and that Vīrarājendra regained them for the empire.

Vīrarājēndra had his attention drawn to Ceylon by the efforts made by Vijayabāhu to extend his power from Rōhaṇa and to expel the Cōļas from the island. The Mahāvamsa and the only inscription of Vīrarājēndra which gives an account of this war are agreed that Vijayabāhu did not succeed in attaining his object. In the details, the two accounts differ. The Mahāvamsa says § that when the Cōļa king heard of Vijayabāhu's

^{*} Hultzsch SII. iii. p. 193.

 $[\]varphi$ Hultzsch identifies this elder brother of the king with \$\overline{\Lambda}\$]avand\$\overline{\alpha}\$, SII. iii. p. 194.

I v. 77.

[§] CV. Ch. 58 vv. 1-77. Codrington (Short History p. 56) says: "A first attempt to secure Polonnaruwa was made in or about A.D. 1066 but ended in failure, and Vijayahahu was compelled to fortify himself at Vatagiri (Wakirigala in Kegalla district)." I think that the fortification at Vatagiri belongs to the later campaign of 1070 of which the narrative in the CV. begins with v. 18.

designs, he sent off his Senapati who was then in Pulatthinagara against the Singalese ruler. The Cola general entered Rohana, plundered Kajaragama and returned to his province. Vijayabāhu saw the strength of the Cola forces and was distracted by rebellions and treachery in his own camp. Nothing came of his effort. The inscription of Vīrarājēndra dated in his fifth year, A.D. 1067, states that the king sent a large army which crossed the sea in a number of ships without erceting a canseway, defeated the Singalese forces, compelled Vijayabahu to seek refuge in flight, made his queen captive and restored the whole of Ceylon to Vīrarājēndra's sway. * We cannot accept the last statement literally; Vijayabāhn renewed the struggle with better results three or four years later, and he could not have done this if he had lost his hold on Rohana.

For the transactions of the rest of Vīrarājēndra's reign we have to depend exclusively Kadāram. on the shorter prasasti in its later editions. Records of the seventh year † mention that Vīrarājēndra conquered Kadāram on behalf of a king who had come in search of his aid and protection, and handed it over to him. If the place of this event in these records indicates its chronological position in the reign, it must have occurred before the sixth year, c. A.D. 1068. We know as yet little of the relations between the Colas and the empire of Śrī Vijaya, which no doubt is signified by the term Kadaram, in the interval that elapsed between Rajendra's campaign against Sangrama-Vijayottunga-varman and the reign of Vīrarājēndra. Consequently we have no means of

^{* 182} of 1915. cf. Kadaladaiyadilangai-konda-Sola-valanadu.

^{+ 178} of 1894; 266 of 1901, S//. iii. 84.

elucidating this brief reference to a second expedition against Kadaram in this reign.

On the death of Someśvara I, Someśvara II came to the Calukyan throne in A. D. 1068

War with (11th April), and Vīrarajendra took the occasion to renew the ancient feud.)

The inscriptions of Someśwara II state this fact clearly and imply that the Cola began by attacking the fortress of Gutti and ended by retreating in haste before Someśwara. The Cola inscriptions and Bilhana tell another story. The former state that before Somesvara could untie his kanthika, that is, on the occasion of his coronation as king, † Vīrarājendra burnt the city of Kampili and set up a pillar of victory at Karadigal, a village in the Lingsagar Taluk of the Raicur district, ± and that he forced Somesvara to abandon the Kannara country, and invested the Salukki Vikramaditya with the kanthikā and Rattapādi seven and a half lakh country conquered on his account, because he had come and sought the aid of the Cola monarch. § This occasion is no doubt the one mentioned in the Takkayāgapparaņi which says that the Cola king, here called Rajagambhira, took away the fillet of royalty from the Pirattan and conferred it on the Irattan for the protection of the celebrated seven and a half lakh country. ¶ And the Vikramānkadēva Carita tells the same story, embellished from the standpoint of the hero of the poem. Soon after his father's death and brother's accession, Vikramaditya VI quarrelled with his brother who had fallen into evil courses, and left Kulyana with his younger brother Jayasimha and destroyed the troops sent by his elder brother

^{*} EC. vii Sk. 136.

⁺ SII. iii, 83.

[‡] El. xii. pp. 295, 309.

[§] SII. ili, 84.

Somesvara in pursuit of him. He reached the Tungabhadra and rested his army for a time. * Then he became desirous of war with the Colas and started on the expedition after spending some time in Banavasi. Jayakësi and the Alupa king did him obeisance, † and the Cola himself, unable to resist the advance, sent an ambassador and offered his daughter in marriage to the Calukya prince, and Vikrama agreed to retire to the banks of the Tungabhadra, where the Cola king subsequently met him, the marriage was celebrated and the alliance between the two kings concluded. ‡ It may be noted that Jayakēśi I, the Kadamba king of Goa who was ruling in this period, is said in Kadamba inscriptions to have placed the Western Calukya firmly on his own throne, and to have brought about peace between the Cola and the Calukya at Kanci. 8

Alliance with Vikramaditya VI. All these lines of evidence point to the conclusion that soon after the death of Ahavamalla, trouble arose between

Someśwara II and Vikramaditya, on some matters of importance, if not about the succession itself, that Vikramaditya's younger brother Jayasimha, and the Kadamba Jayakeśi of Goa took his side in the dispute, that Jayakeśi officiated as Vikrama's ambassador to the Cola, seeking Virarajendra's aid for his ally, and that as a consequence of the powerful intercession of the Cola monarch, Someśwara II was compelled to part with portions of his hereditary dominions to Vikramaditya almost immediately after his accession to the throne. Though we have no other evidence for it than that of Bilhana, the marriage of Vikramaditya with a Cola princess may be accepted as a fact.

^{*} Vikramankadīva Carita iv 69 -v. 10.

[†] v. 25-6.

[‡] v. 28 -vi. 8.

[§] JBBRAS. ix. p. 278, 242; BG. 1, ii p. 567.

Vikramāditya's inscriptions with the title Trailōkyamalla and bearing dates earlier than A. D. 1076, which marked the commencement of the Cāļukya-Vikrama era, are found in the southern parts of the Cāļukyan empire; * and this goes far to confirm the hypothesis of a division of territory between the Cāļukya brothers. It was not many years before the younger brother completely displaced the elder, as we shall see.

In summing up the earlier achievements of Vīrarājēndra, his later inscriptions which Summary of record the transactions just noticed, Wars. mention at the outset the beheading of the Pandya, the collection of tribute from the Kerala and the subjugation of Ceylon, †-events which recall the inscriptions of Rājādhirāja and Rājēndra. It is quite possible that as in the fight at Mudākkaru, (which we have identified with the first battle of Kūdal-Śangamam and which is mentioned at the end of this prasasti and the beginning of the grant portion), Vīrarājēndra took part in the campaigns conducted by his brothers in the southern countries, long before any idea of his accession to the throne dawned on his mind. The wars against Someśvara in which Vīrarājendra took part are briefly summed up in this form of the prasasti in the statement that the Cola king saw the back of Ahavamalla, that is to say, put him to flight, on five different occasions. 1

From the Tirmamanullar inscription of the fourth
year, and the Yogi-mallavaram and
Kanyākumāri records of the seventh, §
Vīrarājēndra is seen occasionally to have appropriated

e.g. 127 of 1913; 455 of 1920; EC xi Cd. 82, SH. iii p. 65.

[†] S.M. iii. 84 11. 1-2. ‡ S.M. iii. p. 194.

^{§ 371} of 1902, SII, iti, 81; 273 of 1904.

the full regal titles of the Western Calukyas such as Mēdinī-vallabha and Sakala-bhuvanāśraya, rājādhirāja, besides specially Cola titles which, like Ahavamallakulakala, recall the victories won against the Calukyas. He also styled himself Pandyakulantaka, Rājāśraya, and Rājarājēndra, titles which, together with Vallabhavallabha, Vīra Cola, and Karikāla, are found in the Kanyākumāri inscription as well. * The same inscription tells us that Vīrarājēndra presented a fine ruby called Trailokyasara for being mounted on the crown of the Dancer of the Golden Hall, Nataraja of Cidambaram † and that he endowed many brahmadēyas in the countries of Cola, Tundira, Pandya, Gangavati, and gratified forty thousand Brahmans, learned in the Vedas, by gifts of land. ‡ We have already noticed that Gangapuri was the capital of the Cola empire in this reign as well, and that at the end of his wars he returned to it in state. A palace in Gangaikonda-solapuram called Śōlakēraļa-māļigai and a throne in it called Rājēndrasola Māvali-vāņarājan are mentioned in a record of the fifth year. § The latest regnal year of Vīrarājēndra that is found in inscriptions is the eighth, which is mentioned in a record ¶ of the third year of Parakēsari Adhirājēndradēva, the son and successor of Vīrarājēndra, and the brother-in-law of Cālukya Vikramāditya VI. Vīrarājēndra's death must have occurred, therefore, early in A.D. 1070. Śrāvana Āślēsā was the asterism of his birth. || One of his queens, Arumolinangai, survived till the fifteenth year of Kulottunga I; her name is mentioned in an incomplete inscription of that year from Tanjore. ** The presence of Buddhism in the Cola kingdom in the reign of

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* vv. 75; 77-8. † v. 79 (fragment). ‡ vv. 80-81. 
§ 182 of 1915. ¶ S.II. iii. 57 ll. 11-12. 
§ 182 of 1915. l. 25. ** S.II. ii. 58. p. 234.
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Vīrarājēndra, and the influence of Buddhist scholar-ship on Tamil literature, are attested by the Vīraśōliyam, a curious work on Tamil grammar conceived on ultra-Sanskritic lines by Buddhamitra, who calls himself chieftain of Ponperri. This place is identified by Venkayya with Ponpetti in the Paṭṭukkōṭṭai tāluq of the Tanjore district.*

^{*} ARE, 1899, paragraph 50; SII, iii. p. 197; Virasiliyam-Payiram.

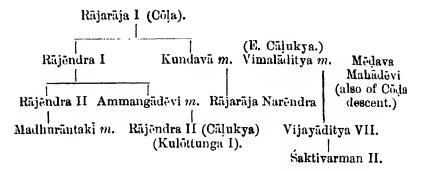
CHAPTER XII.

THE ACCESSION OF KULÖTTUNGA I A. D. 1070

Vīrarājēndra died early in A. D. 1070, the eighth year of his reign. He was succeeded Adhırajendra, on the throne by Parakesari Adhirājendra who had a very short reign of some weeks' duration and was followed by Rajakesari Kulottunga Cola I on the 9th June A. D. 1070. * As we find inscriptions of Adhirājēndra dated in his third year, and as the exact date of Kulottunga's accession is quite clearly attested by his dated stone inscriptions from the Telugu country, it is evident that Adhirājēndra must have been chosen heir-apparent by Vīrarājēndra some time in 1067-8. Adhirājēndra's relation to Vīrarajendra may be inferred from the explicit statement in the Vikramānkadēva Carita that on the death of his father-in-law, Vikramaditya started for Kanci and Gangākundapura in order to place his wife's brother on the Cola throne. † Why his reign was so short and how the Eastern Calukya prince Rajendra II came to occupy the Cola throne in 1070 are questions that do not admit of decisive answers. The evidence bearing on them proceeds from several quarters. These various sources of evidence differ so much from one another, and suggest so many explanations of the occurrences that the conviction is borne in upon us that almost every one of our authorities had strong motives to put forward a separate version of the course of events.

^{*} El. vii p. 7 a. 5.

As a result of several inter-marriages, for some time the members of the Eastern Cāļukya dynasty had become plainly Cōļas at heart, far more than Cāļukyas. * The following genealogical table illustrates the interrelation between the two dynasties:—



The Eastern Cāļukya copper-plates of the period fall into two sets, one of them mentioning the transactions of Vijayāditya VII and his son Śaktivarman II, omitted by others,—a feature not unknown in other passages of E. Cāļukya history, as for instance the grants of Bādapa and Tāļa II which seem to form a class apart, mentioning facts about the interregnum before the accession of Śaktivarman I, omitted elsewhere. The facts as set forth in the first set of plates are the following.

After twelve years had elapsed from the accession of Rājarāja-narēndra, his step-brother Vijayāditya ousted him from the throne and crowned himself king in Śaka 952, A. D. 1030; † the grant which mentions this fact is dated in the second year of the reign of Vijayāditya. ‡ Then the Telugu Academy plates of Śaktivarman II, which do not mention any regnal year, state that Śaktivarman was crowned as king in the year Śaka 983, on a

^{*} IA. xx p. 277.

[†] Pamulavāka plates of Vijayāditya VII. 11. 62-3; JAHRS. ii. 287.

^{\$ (}ibid) 1. 81.

day corresponding to 18th October A. D. 1061, after Rājarāja had enjoyed a reign of forty-one years; they omit the coronation of Vijayaditya in A.D. 1030. * Lastly, the Ryāli plates (two sets) of Vijayāditya VII omit all reference to the occurrences of A.D. 1030-2, give forty-one years to Rajaraja, state that Vijayaditya took by force the kingdom of his step-brother without his knowledge (in his absence?), † that he handed it over to his son Saktivarman out of the love he bore him, and that, when Saktivarman died at the end of one year by a bad stroke of fate, Vijayāditya was only persuaded with difficulty, like Arjuna at the death of Abhimanyu, to resume the duties of state. grants are dated in the twelfth year of Vijayaditya's rule. There is nothing in the palaeography or the dating of these records that raises any doubt as to their genuineness.

Alike in their chronology and in their narration of events, these plates differ from those of Kulöttunga which will be noticed presently. These imply that Rājarāja-narēndra came to the E. Cāļukya throne in 1018 after Vimalāditya had occupied it for seven years from A.D. 1011, thus completely vindicating the date of Vimalāditya's accession calculated by Kielhorn, 10th May 1011. ‡ But the facts that the Raṇastapūṇḍi grant of Vimalāditya is dated in his eighth regnal year, and that Rājarāja-narēndra's coronation is stated elsewhere to have occurred in A. D. 1022 should not be lost sight of. Though the grants of Vijayāditya VII

^{*} JAHRS. v. pp. 33. ff.

[†] parokṣam Rājarājasya bhrātur-dvaimāturasya yaḥ | paryagrahīn-mahā-rājya-śriyam vīra-śriyā yutaḥ ||.

My thanks are due to Mr. T. N. Ramachandran of the Madras Museum for assisting me in consulting the unpublished Ryali plates in his custody. See also ARE. 1925. Il 5; JAHRS. v. p. 44, v. 16.

[‡] EI, vi pp 349-50.

and Saktivarman II thus agree with those of the time of Kulottunga I in ascribing a rule of forty-one years to Rājarāja-narēndra, they seem to reckon the years from a different starting point, A.D. 1018, which is four years earlier than the date usually given, in the later grants, for Rajaraja's coronation, A.D. 1022. The language of the Ryāli plates and the His usurpation. date of Saktivarman II's coronation * even raise a doubt if Vijayaditya waited till the natural end of Rajaraja's life or deposed him earlier. In any event, seeing that Vīrarājēndra's inscriptions before his seventh year (A. D. 1068-9) do not mention his having had anything to do with Vijayaditya, there is no room for assuming, as has been sometimes done, that he interfered in any dispute relating to the succession, on Rājarāja's death, between Kulottunga I and Vijayāditya

The hostility of Vijayāditya VII to Rājarāja, and possibly to his son Rājēndra-Kulōt-Two Vijayadityas. tunga, that becomes apparent from these plates has led to the identification of Vijayāditya VII with Visnuvardhana-Vijayāditya (of some Western Calukya inscriptions) who bears Eastern Calukya titles like Sarvalökāśraya and Vēngī-maņdalēśvara. Fleet who first proposed this identification, basing himself mainly on the similarity of names and titles, ‡ subsequently gave it up and made the Western Calukya prince a fourth son of Somesvara I, not mentioned by Bilhana, apparently because he played a very insignificant part. § In recent years, Fleet's original identification has again found support from scholars under the influence of the newly discovered copper-plates of

VII or that he helped to keep out the former. †

This date is given as S. 986 in ARE, 1914 II 10 and 983 in App. A. (ibid). The text is: gung-vasu-nidhi. The astronomical details fit 983 better.

[†] ARE. 1901, paragraph 12; SII. iii p. 128.

[‡] IA. xx 277-8. § BG. I, ii 454 and n. 5.

Vijayaditya VII and his son Saktiyarman II, and attempts have been made to prove that after the failure of his first usurpation (A.D. 1030-32), Vijayāditya left the Vengi country and sought service under and support from Somesvara I. * But there are several considerations militating against this view, and the arguments urged in its favour are by no means conclusive. It is true that a marriage relation between the two branches of Calukyas such as was postulated by Fleet is impossible, and Vijayaditya-Visnuvardhana, if he was a son of Somesvara, could not have had an Eastern Cālukya princess for his mother. † It may also be conceded that the omission of this name by Bilhana, and the phrase tatpādapadmārādhaka in the inscriptions, describing the relation of Visnuvardhana-Vijayāditya to Somēśvara I, raise a doubt as to whether he was the son of Somēśvara though he is elsewhere called maga and nandana. ‡ But whether he was a son of Somesvara or not, it seems unlikely that this Western Calukya feudatory was identical with the stepbrother of Rajaraja narendra. The dates of the known inscriptions of the feudatory are: A. D. 1064 and 1066, and his inscriptions bearing these years are found in the Mysore and Bellary districts, and he acknowledges the overlordship of Someśvara in these years. But what we gather from the Eastern Calukya plates is: (1) that, if Vijayāditya VII was exiled at all, it must have been some time after A. D. 1032, at a time when the Western Calukya feudatory with whom he is sought to be identified is not known to have recorded any inscriptions; § and (2) that in the years A.D. 1063-70 he

^{*} JAHRS. i p. 215; v 206-8; ARE. 1925 II 3.

[†] ARE. 1925 II 3. ‡ Fleet, BG. ibid.

[§] The Manimangalam inscription (A. D. 1046) of Rajadhiraja has been thought, quite wrongly, to contain a reference to Vinnuvardhana-Vijayaditya. *JAHRS*. i 219 n. 33. We have only the name Vijayaditya in 1. 3 among the leaders of the army, and this proves nothing.

must have been ruling in Vēngī after the death of his son Saktivarman II. Again, there is no getting over the fact that about A. D. 1067-8 Vīrarājēndra did reconquer Vēngī from his enemies and hand it over to Vijayāditya VII, which clearly means that Vijayāditya could not have been the feudatory of Sōmēśvara I about the same time. Lastly, the title Vēngīpuravarēśvara is borne as early as A. D. 1053 by Sōmēśvara-dēva, the son of Sōmēśvara I, * which is proof that this title is for some unknown reason borne in this period by the governors of W. Cāļukya provinces. It seems impossible therefore to uphold the identification of the two Vijayādityas of the Western and Eastern Cāļukya records of the period.

To return to the evidence from the Eastern Cāļukya copper-plates. Three grants of the sons of Kulottunga's sons.

Cellūr and Pittāpuram grants, dated respectively in the seventeenth, twenty-

first and twenty-third years of his reign, narrate in almost identical terms the course of events in Vēngī as it was described by Kulōttunga himself to his son Rājarājamummadicōda, while sending him to Vēngī as viceroy of the northern province of the Cōla empire. † From these plates we learn that, at the death of Rājarāja after a rule of forty-one years, Rājēndra was first crowned as lord of Vēngī and attained great celebrity. He was then crowned in the Cōḍa-rājya, not less exalted in status than the position of Dēvēndra. He married Madhurāntakī, the very Lakṣmī risen from the occan, namely Rājēndra-dēva, the tilaka of the Solar race. He had many children by her, and to one of them, Rājarāja, he said: "Child, the great kingdom of Vēngī was, in

^{. *} Mulgund inscription EI. xvi. p. 53.

[†] EI. vi. 35. SII. i. 39, IA. xix. p. 427; EI. v. 10.

days gone by, entrusted by me to my paternal uncle, king Vijayāditya, as I was desirous of undertaking a conquering tour (or according to the Cellūr plates, 'as I was desirous of securing the Cōļa kingdom'). He too, who was like a god and resembled a lion in his strength, went to heaven after ruling the kingdom for fifteen years." And the Ṭēki plates make it clear that Vijayāditya's death occurred some time in A.D. 1077; * this would mean that Kulōttunga appointed him as his deputy in A. D. 1062 or thereabout.

In order to reconcile these statements of Kulōttunga on his relations with Vijayāditya VII with what we know of them from other sources, we must recall the time and circumstance of the utterance attributed to Kulōttunga. By 1077 Kulōttunga was firmly seated on the Cōļa throne; and securely established at the head of a prosperous and extensive empire, he was addressing his own son, after the death of his uncle and on the eve of sending him out as viceroy to the northern kingdom. Paternal solicitude as well as good taste and policy required that, rather than expatiate on ancient family fends that deserved to be forgotten, he should give the best possible account of the past history of the viceroyalty that the young prince was about to take upon himself.

That Vijayāditya's relations with Kulottunga and his father, however, had been nothing so pleasant as Kulottunga afterwards represented them to his son, becomes clear not only from his Pāmulavāka,

and Ryāli plates, and the Telugu Academy plates of

^{*} Rājarāja Cōda-ganga was crowned in Vēngī in Śaka 1006 (v. 34); before him Vīra Cōda was viceroy for six years and Mummadi-cōda for one year (vv. 19 and 17), so that the beginning of Mummadi's viceroyalty fell in Śaka 999 or A.D. 1077.

Šaktivarman II discussed above, but from other evidence as well. We learn from Eastern Ganga inscriptions that even after Kulöttunga became Cōļa emperor, the hostile relations between Vijayāditya and his nephew continued more or less unabated. The Vizagapatam plates of Anantavarman Cōḍaganga * state that his father Rājārāja having, in the first instance, become the lord of the goddess of victory in a 'Tamil battle', then married Rājasundarī, the daughter of the Cōļa king. The same lady is described elsewhere in ununistakable terms as the daughter of Rājēndra Cōļa and the chief queen of Rājarāja, †

The Ganga king is also said to have offered help to Vijavaditya at the end of his life. The grant that mentions the 'Tamil battle' also states that "when Vijayaditya, beginning to grow old, left the country of Vengi, as if he were the sun leaving the sky, and was about to sink in the great ocean of the Codas," Rajaraja of Kalinganagara "caused him to enjoy prosperity for a time in the Western region," that is, Vengi to the west of Kalinganagara. ‡ The approximate date for these occurrences is furnished by the Dîrghasi inscription of Vanapati dated Saka 997. A. D. 1075, which makes a pointed reference to Vanapati's successes gained on behalf of his Ganga overlord against the Cola forces. § A war between Kulöttunga and the E. Ganga Rājarāja followed by a peace sealed by a dynastic alliance, a mediation by Rajaraja Ganga

^{*} IA, xviii pp. 166-9; Koini plates, JAIIRS, i pp. 106, ff.

^{† 1}A. xviii. pp. 163-4,

[‡] LA. xx. p. 276.

^{§ 271} of 1896; E.I., iv. 45. E. Ganga Rājarāja came to power on May 20, A. D. 1070 (ARE. 1919, App. A, No. 4.) 248 of 1896, dated Saka 990, records a gift by a queen of his predecessor Vajiahasta. It is surprising that, in utter disregard of all chronology, these inscriptions should have been diagged into a discussion of Vīrarājēndra's movements in JAIIRS. i. p. 215.

between Vijayāditya VII and his nephew Kulōttunga on a subsequent occasion, and the demise of Vijayāditya some time after the successful intercession of Rājarāja are thus clearly attested by the Ganga records of the time.

If Rājēndra-Kulottunga was first crowned as lord of Vēngī, as the later E. Cāļukya plates Kulöttunga's assert (in contradiction to those of position in Vijayāditya), it is remarkable that 1063-70. these plates fail to give us the exact date of this coronation as they do of most other coronations. The Telugu inscriptions of Kulottunga containing both regnal years and Saka dates support the date A. D. 1070 for the commencement of his rule, and this was the date of his accession to the Cola throne. * The crux of the Kulöttunga problem is, in fact, the question: what did he do with himself in the interval between his father's death and A. D. 1070? Fleet added up the two statements in the Teki and Cellur grants that Kulöttunga appointed his uncle as deputy in Vengi because he wanted to have (i) a conquering tour and (ii) the Colarajya, and stated that 'Kulottunga acquired the Cola crown by hostile invasion and conquest,' and placed this event in A.D. 1063, in spite of the indication of a much later date for it furnished by the Vikramānkadēva Carita. † He also pointed out that Kulottunga's conquest and annexation of the Cola empire were not entirely the result of a failure of the Cola succession, and that it must have been powerfully aided by a rebellion in the Cola country and a state of anarchy of which we get some idea from the Kalingattupparani. Later writers, while they have recognised the mistake in Fleet's date for

^{*} SII. iii. p. 127.

these occurrences, have not been so ready to give up his suggestions of hostile invasion, and in fact have added to it the charge of political murder against Kulottunga. * Reserving the literary sources for more detailed consideration at a later stage, it may be observed here that the course adopted by Fleet in putting together two alternative statements made in peculiar circumstances about past events and evolving the theory of hostile invasion seems to be of doubtful validity, and that even the Vikramankadeva Carita does not contain the remotest suggestion that Kulöttunga put his rivals out of the way by secret murder, or even by open fighting. And now we must remember what Fleet was not aware of, viz., that the supposed appointment of Vijayāditya by Kulöttunga to deputise for him at Vengi and his occupation of the Cola throne are separated by the whole interval of the reign of Vīrarājēndra.

At the time of his father's death and the forcible

Evidence of the early Tamil inscriptions of Kulöttunga, seizure of the Vēngī throne by Vijayāditya mentioned in the Ryāli plates, Kulūttunga, or Rājēndra as he was then known, must have been a youth in his teens. For considering that he lived on

to have a long rule of fifty years from A. D. 1070, it is hardly likely that about A. D. 1062 he was more than twenty years of age. His earliest Tamil inscriptions record certain facts which seem to indicate how Rājēndra engaged himself when he was thus kept out of his inheritance. The records of his second year † state that, with the aid only of the strength of his arms and

^{*} ARE. 1899 paragraph 51.

[†] SII. iii 64-7, as corrected by Hira Lal, EI. ix p. 179 n. 1 and 2. Also 125 of 1900 with the pti mel arivai introduction recording the same transactions in other words.

his sword, he overcame the treachery of his enemies. captured many herds of elephants, levied tribute from the Nagavamsi king, Dharavarsa of Cakrakūta, and gently raised the country in the eastern region, like Visnu raising the Earth from the ocean in his boar incarnation, and seated her, to her great pleasure, under the shade of his parasol. 'The lotus-like nila-magal (earth-maiden) in the direction of the rising sun' is clearly by itself and in the context a periphrasis for Pūrvadēśam, * and the elaborately ceremonial character of the language of these records seems to imply that Rajendra at least succeeded in making himself acceptable as a great benefactor of that country, if not also as its ruler. His records soon came to describe these achievements as belonging to the period of his ilangop-paruvam, when he was still heir-apparent. † If this view is correct, we must conclude that Rajendra spent the best part of the period A.D. 1063-70 in the region of the modern Bastar state, and possibly even carved out for himself a small dominion beyond it in the Pürvadēśa, even if he did not gain complete control over the Cakrakūta state and annex parts of the Pūrvadēśa to it, as his inscriptions imply. Possibly this northern extension of the influence of Vengi, so closely allied to the Colas, was the cause of Vikramaditya's expedition against Vēngī and Cakrakūta, counteracted by the campaign of Vīrarājēndra culminating in the battle of Bezwada. It will be remembered that in the course of this campaign, Vīrarājēndra is said also to have marched up to Sakkarakköttam. After the death of Virarājēndra, Kulottunga marched into the Cola country in good time to get himself accepted as

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[•] Hultzsch's equation of this phrase with Vengi (SII. iii p. 132) is hardly satisfactory, while Dr. S. K. Aiyangar is wide of the mark in suggesting that there is a reference to Kaduram here (Ancient India, pp. 130-1).

[†] SII. ili. 68.

king; but more of this later. And as he did some fighting during these years and subsequently came to look upon the whole period as a sort of probation for the Cola throne, he might have felt justified in saying that he left Vengi to his uncle Vijayaditya at the death of his father for a double reason.*

We may now turn to the literary evidence on the subject of Kulōttunga's accession. On one matter the evidence of two works is in complete accord with that of the inscriptions. Both the Vikramānkadēva Carita and the Vikramašūļan-ul↠are explicit in stating that Vīrarājēndra was succeeded by another king before Kulōttunga came to the throne; the ulā by its very brief reference giving no particulars whatever of his reign, and the

^{*} It is obviously impossible to discuss fully all the theories that have been suggested about Kulottunga's position in 1063-70. I am fully alive to the responsibility of adding one more to these, not to my knowledge suggested before by others. My only warrant is that this seems to be the normal interpretation of the language of the inscriptions of Kulottunga himself. other views centre round the hypothesis that Rajendra was guvaraja to his father Rajaraja-narendra when he fought the campaign against Dharavarsa or that he was yuvarāja to Vīcarājēndra. The latter seems impossible, in view of Adhirajendra's position and inscriptions. The former hypothesis is quite feasible, provided the date is not placed too early. (JAHRS. 1, pp. 217-8). But what, on this basis, can be the force of the claim that Kulottunga gently raised the land in the eastern quarter and seated her under his umbrella? Another view makes Kulöttunga a dupe of circumstances who, having, after a fight in which Saktivarman II was killed like Abhimanyu (an inference not supported by the language of the Ryali plates), made his peace with his bereaved uncle, found himself baulked in his design upon the Cola throne by the prompt usurpation of Virarajendra (JAHRS. v. pp. 208-11). This writer has apparently overlooked the probability that Vīrarājendra might have been recognised as heir to Rājēndradēva on the death of Rājamahēndra. He is also clearly wrong in mixing up Yasah-karnadeva's inroad into Trikalinga with these transactions, for he did not come to power till A.D. 1073 (E1. xii p. 207). Hultzsch's view that before A.D. 1072 Rajendra-Kulottunga took Vengi from his uncle Vijayaditya VII who appears to have received it from the Cola king Vīrarājēndra (SII. iii. p 132) goes against the express statement in the Teki and other grants that Vijavaditya ruled Vengi continuously for fifteen years, and is now contradicted by the Ryali plates of the twelfth year of Vljayaditya c. A.D. 1074; but the E. Ganga records (p. 345 ante) must be taken into account here. See also ARE. 1914, II 10 where SII. iii. p. 128 is followed.

^{† 11.44-5—}Angavanpin kävalpurindavani kättönum.

Carita by directly stating that he lost his life in a rebellion that occurred within a few days of his installation*, imply that he had a very short reign; this king was no doubt Parakēsari Adhirājēndra of the inscriptions. And Kulūttunga himself recognised the legitimacy of Adhirājēndra's position when he styled himself Rājakēsari. In some of his records, however, is found a double prašasti which, by combining the two forms vīramē tuņai-yāgavum and pugaļmādu viļanga, seems to set up a claim that Kulūttunga should be considered the direct successor of Vīrarājēndra. † And the Kalingattupparaņi of Jayangoṇḍār, makes it a point to ignore the reign of Adhirājēndra. ‡ This poem is often cited in support of the notions that at his birth

Was Kulöttunga adopted into the Cola family? Kulöttunga was adopted by Rājēndra Cöļadēva I into the Cöļa family and that he was brought up in his maternal grandfather's court. § But there is

nothing in the actual words employed by the poet to suggest either a formal ceremony of adoption or to enable us to know where the prince spent his early years. In fact the date of this prince's birth must be placed at the end of Rājēndra I's reign, some time after A. D. 1040. By that time Rājādhirāja I had long been associated with his father as ywarāja, and there were several brothers of his perhaps occupying responsible posts in the administration of the empire. There was no need for any adoption; and considering his marriage

^{*} vi. 26

^{† 156} of 1923 (Yr. 2); 197 1919 (Yr. 5), the former having only virami tuņai; 197 and 199 of 1929 and 434 of 1912 (Yrs. 37, 38 and 43). ARE. 1913, II. 33.

[†] Verse viii. 29 asserts that directly after the victory of Kūdal-Śangamam the earth, to her great good fortune, passed into the hands of Abhaya, the hero of the poem. The 'mannar-mannan' or 'mannar-vīran' of x. 25 cannot be Adhirājēndra as Hultzsch thinks (SII. iii p. 129), but Vīrarājēndra.

[&]amp; Hultzsch SII. pp. 127, 196. S. K. Aiyangar-op. cit. pp. 125, 129.

with Madhurantaki, it is impossible to postulate it. In fact all that Jayangondar says is that on the birth of the child, the queen of Gangaikonda-sola raised him in her hands and expressed her admiration of the marks on his limbs by observing that he was fit to be a son of the solar line born for its protection; in the very next verse the poet takes good care to add that the kings of both the lunar and the solar dynasties, that is Rajarajanarendra and Rajendra Gangaikonda, experienced joy on the occasion of the birth of the prince. * After a conventional account of the early years of the prince, the poet states that Abhaya † (Vīrarājēndra) made him crown prince, and then proceeds to describe his digrijaya of which particulars are furnished only with reference to the northern direction. He is said to have made his mark in Vayirākaram and Śakkarakkōttam. He was still in the north engaged in these campaigns when the Cola king died in the south, and there ensued anarchy and confusion until Abhaya Kulöttunga returned and restored order. This account of Jayangondar is remarkable in some ways. It studiously refrains from mentioning Adhirājēndra and asserts that Vīrarājēndra made Abhaya crown prince for the rule of the Earth, meaning no doubt, the Cola kingdom; and it recounts details of campaigns in Wairagarh and Cakrakūta exactly like the early inscriptions of Kulōttunga to which attention has been drawn above. Though the poet aims, as Fleet has remarked, at treating Abhaya on the whole as a Cola prince rather than as Calukya, he has still not altogether suppressed the Calukya connections, and in his account of the

^{*} x, vv. 5-7.

^{† &#}x27;Abhaya' in this verse x. 18 does refer to Vīrarājēndra cf. viii 29; and from this account of Vīrarājēndra's recognition of Kulöttunga, the conclusion has been drawn that Adhirājēndra was a bastard with no title to the throne.

youthful achievements of Abhaya he follows the early records of the reign rather closely. Above all, his account leaves no room for doubt as to the whereabouts of Abhaya at the time when his chance arrived to seize the Cōla throne. It is also of some interest to note that in the account of Abhaya's digvijaya, and in the attempt made, in the inscriptions, to combine the prasasti of Vīrarājēndra with that of Kulōttunga, and thus cast a doubt on the legitimacy of Adhirājēndra's rule, the poem and the inscriptions are in perfect agreement.

The Vikramānkadēva Carita of Bilhaņa gives the story from yet another point of view, which is as hostile to Kulūttunga as the Kalingattupparaņi is favourable to him. *

Soon after Vikramāditya's marriage, his father-in-law the Cola king, died and the kingdom fell into a state of anarchy. When he heard of these things, he set out for Kanci with the definite object of helping the late king's son to the throne. At Kanci, Vikramaditya spent some days in bringing the wicked (dustavarga) to their knees, and then marched to Gangakunda where he destroyed the forces of the enemy and finally secured the throne to the Cola prince. After spending about a month in that city, Vikramaditya, apparently satisfied that peace had been restored, retired to the Tungabhadra. Within a few days after his return, the news reached him that his brother-in-law had lost his life in a fresh rebellion and that Rājiga, the lord of Vēngī, had captured the throne vacated by the Cola prince. 'Vikramāditya VI marched at once against Rājiga. The latter induced Somesvara II to combine with him; and a battle was fought. But the victory rested with

^{*} vi. 7-26.

Vikramāditya VI; Rājiga fled and Somēśvara II was taken prisoner. This lost Somēśvara the throne; and shortly afterwards, according to the poem, Vikramāditya VI allowed himself to be proclaimed ruler of the Dekkan.'*

Certain questions naturally arise from this account: who was responsible for the Kulöttunga's troubles that followed Vīrarājēndra's share in them. death and rendered it necessary for Vikramāditya to come over to Kāncī and Gangākunda to secure the succession for his brother-in-law? Who were the wicked people of Kanci and the hostile forces of Gangākunda whom Vikramāditya had to suppress before Adhirajendra could feel secure on the throne and Vikramāditya himself retire to the Tungabhadrā? And what was the nature of the rebellion in which Adhirājēndra lost his life within a few days after Vikramāditya's retirement? There is no direct statement in the Vikramānkadēva Carita of Kulottunga's complicity in these conspiracies and rebellions; but the facts that they paved the way for Kulottunga's accession to the Cola throne, that Vikramaditya VI marched against him and made an attempt to oust him after he occupied it, and the silence of the Kalingattupparani on Adhirājēndra's reign seem to furnish some ground for the inference that Kulöttunga's ambition and intrigue brought about these occurrences. strict regard to the actual statements of Bilhana may not support any conclusion more precise than that of Fleet, + 'that Kulottunga Coladeva I was enabled to seize the Cola crown through internal disturbances in the Cola kingdom, which culminated in the death of the last Cola king.'

Fleet IA. xx. p. 281.

[†] IA. xx. p. 282.

An attempt has been made * to connect these internal disturbances in the Cola king-Was religion dom that led to the extinction of the cause? the direct line of the Colas with the story of the persecution suffered by Rāmānuja and his disciples as it is narrated in Vaisnava hagiology. Without minimising the difficulty of reconciling all the data proceeding from a mass of contradictory legends, but confining our attention to the professedly earliest biographies of Rāmānuja like the final chapters of the Divyasūricarita † and the Yatirāja-vaibhavam, ‡ it is just possible to identify the Cola who died as Krimikantha in consequence of the persecution to which he subjected Rāmānuja and his followers with either Adhirājēndra, or possibly with Vīrarājēndra with whom the direct Cola line practically comes to a close. The categorical statement in the Divyasūricarita that God Siva of Tiruvarur proclaimed the end of the rule of the kings of the Cola family, § and the chaos at the end of Virarājēndra's rule which is attested by, but not accounted for, by the Kalingattupparani and the Vikramānkadēva Carita, and which might have been the concomitant of a religious upheaval, lend plausibility to the suggestion thus made. But it must be recognised that the details of the chronology of the life of Ramanuja furnished by other works are not easy to explain on this assumption, and that it is perhaps impossible to reconcile all the data furnished by legend on any single hypothesis.

^{*} IA. xli pp. 217 ff.

⁺ Ed. Alkondavilli Gövindacarya-Mysore 1885, text in Telugu characters. Nagari text in the Sahrdaya (New series).

[‡] IA. xxxviii pp. 129 ff. See, however, IA. xl p. 152, for a critique.

[&]amp; xviii 84.

To refrain from dogmatism in dealing with such shifty material is as necessary as it is difficult. Krimikantha-Cola has generally been identified with

Before concluding this discussion of the circumstances of Kulottunga's accession, it must be pointed out that the provenance of the inscriptions of the early vears of Kulottunga now known does not confirm the views to which Hultzsch gave expression in his masterly introduction to Kulottunga's inscriptions of these years. shows, on the contrary, that from A.D. 1070 onwards Kulottunga was practically master of the entire Cola country, except, of course, for the hostile movement of Vikramaditya VI which remained to be dealt with, and the risings in the south, always ready to break out on every possible occasion and now favoured by the confusion following Virarājēndra's death. Inscriptions of Rajendra's second year * with the characteristic introduction or with a verifiable date are found in Kandamangalam (South Arcot) and Valuvur (Tanjore); of the third year † at Alangudi, Nallur (Tanjore), Idaiyar and Tribhuvani, (South Arcot). And

Kulottunga I, on the strength of the name Kulottunga given to the Cola persecutor of Ramanuja in late works like the Kvyilolugu. A. Govindacaryasvämin-Life of Rāmānuja (Madras 1906) p. 170. S. K. Aiyangar Ancient India pp. 150 and 207. Dr. Aiyangar is inclined to date the decline of Cola power from the end of Kulottunga I's reign, op. cit. pp. 152 and 318. It has been pointed out that the traditional date for the foundation of the temple at Melukote is against this identification of Krimikantha. (IA. vol. xli. p. 224). It is possible that 'Kulottunga' is used in late works as a generic name for Cola. The name is not found even in the Guruparamparaprabhava (Arayirappadi; ed. Madras 1927). Krimikantha-Cola is said to have uprooted and thrown into the sea the image of Govindaraja from the front of the Nataraja shrine at Cidambaram, and this act of sacrilege is placed by the Divyasiiricarita at the very beginning of the Cola persecution of Visuuism, (xviii 72). The same fact is recalled by the much later Prapannamṛtam (quoted by Dr. S. K. Aiyangar op. cit. p. 320). The poet Ottakküttan seems to attribute this deed to Kulöttunga II-Kulöttungasolanulā 11 76-8; Rājarājašālan-ulā 11. 64-6 which is most explicit, and Takkayāgapparani v. 777. But no one, on this account, seems to be prepared to identify the persecutor of Ramanuja with Kulottunga II. This king is, however, known to have extended the temple of Nataraja by putting up new structures and 'gilding' it and it may be that the Tamil |poet in describing this act of his attributes to him a deed of one of his predecessors. Otherwise the genuineness of even the Dinyasuricarita would be suspect.

^{* 358} of 1917; 425 of 1912.

^{† 497} of 1920; 55 of 1911; 279 of 1929; 185 of 1919.

there are records of the second and fourth years already giving him the name Kulottunga. * It seems necessary therefore to give up the ideas that some years elapsed after Raiiga entered the Cola kingdom and before he actually occupied the territory on the banks of the Kāvēri; and that his formal assumption of Cola sovereignty in the fifth year was marked by the adoption of the name Kulottunga. † The fact seems to have been that, as is implied by the Vikramānkadēva Carita, Rājiga came to the south soon after Adhirājēndra's demise ‡ and appropriated to himself the whole kingdom of the Colas, in so far as it was possible to do this by a single formal act. In fact, he became the Cola king. It remained of course for him to hold the new position against Vikramaditya's attack and to suppress other disorders. And if it is true, as seems likely, that some other records bearing early regnal years like the second and third of Kulottunga § are also really his, then it becomes quite certain that the title Kulottunga was also assumed by him from the very commencement.

To sum up the results of the discussion. Despite the statement in the Kalingattupparavi that Vīrarājēndra made Kulōttunga his crown prince, the evidence of Adhirājēndra's inscriptions, the Vikramānkadēva Carita and the Vikramaśōlanulā makes it clear that this could not have happened, and that, consequently, we have to assume that the court-poet of Kulōttunga introduced this story to give validity to Kulōttunga's title to the Clōa throne.

^{* 156} of 1923, (2); 101 of 1928, 468 of 1913 (4). + SII. iii pp. 132, 140.

[†] The civil war between Adhirājēndra and the 'usurper' postulated in ARE. 1904 paragraph 21 is pure myth. (See n. on 386 of 1903 Yr. 4, post Vol. ii. Appendix).

^{§ 145, 147, 151} of 1906; 142 of 1929; 55 of 1911; 586 of 1907; 267 of 1917; 126 of 1912.

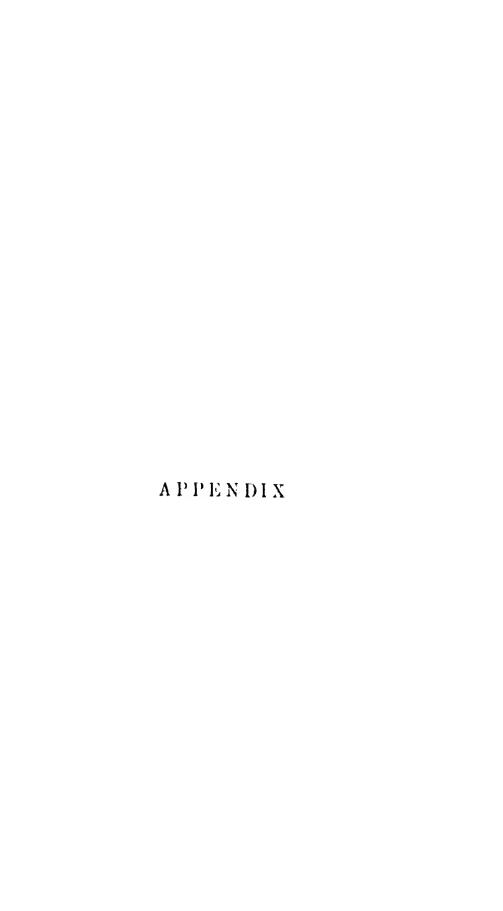
ACCESSION OF KULOTTUNCA I

There is no direct statement even by Jayangondar that Kulottunga was either adopted into the Cola family or that he was brought up in the Cola court. The copperplate grants of the Eastern Calukyas, those of Vijavaditya VII, of Śaktivarman II and of the sons of Kulōttunga himself, together with the early Tamil records of Kulottunga's reign, lead us to reconstruct the period of Kulöttunga's youth and his career until he came to the Cola throne somewhat as follows. At the time of his father's death, his uncle Vijayāditya made himself master of the Vengi kingdom and kept the prince Rajendra, as he was then called, out of his inheritance. Alone and unaided, he sought a life of adventure across the Vengi frontier in the land of Cakrakūta and Pūrvadēśa. Possibly he carved a small principality for himself and after making his peace with his uncle Vijayāditya, especially as, after the death of Saktivarman II, this must have been easy, he bided his time hoping that in some manner he might gain the Cola throne for himself. The confusion that followed the death of Vīrarājēndra in the internal affairs of the Cola kingdom helped him to achieve his object in spite of the attempts of Calukya Vikramaditya VI to prevent the union of the Vengi and Cola kingdoms in the same hands. The evidence is not clear on the question of Kulottunga's complicity in the rebellions that at first obstructed the accession and then shortened the rule of Adhirajendra. There is just a possibility that these disturbances were religious in origin and connected with the Cola persecution of Vaisnavism in the days of Rāmānuja, a fact well attested in legends, though the details of the story are very obscure. In any event, Kulöttunga began to rule in the Cola kingdom from about the 9th June A.D. 1070. * In his later

^{*} EL vii. p. 7 n. 5.

inscriptions Kulottunga claims to have obtained the Cola crown by right and thereby become an acceptable companion to the land of the Kaveri in her loneliness.*

^{*} SII. iii 68. 'Podumai' does not mean' prostitution' as Hultzsch understands it. The idea is that Lakṣmī, the wealth of the southern country, had become common, ownerless, and the land of the Kavēri lonely, uncompanioned, when the Cōja succession failed; both found a remedy for their situation in the coming of Kulöttunga.



SELECT LIST OF INSCRIPTIONS OF THE COLAS AND RELATED DYNASTIES (CHRONOLOGICALLY ARRANGED.)

This list is intended to furnish a handy reference to the most important epigraphs on which the history of the Colas is based. As far as possible, all the inscriptions of definite historical or social importance have been included, and references given to the known editions of published inscriptions. Most of the unpublished inscriptions have been consulted by me, thanks to the courtesy of the Archaeological Department, and the data gathered from their study have been incorporated in the summaries of the records. These will be found arranged in the order of regnal years of the rulers in whose reigns they were recorded, the inscriptions of each regnal year being arranged in the alphabetical order of the villages where they are found. Records dated on a numbered day in a regnal year are placed at the end of that year, e. g., 185th day of year 10 will be found at the end of year 10 and before year 11. Only a few of the Rajakesari and Parakēsari inscriptions have been included under the particular reigns to which they may be assigned. the case of most of them, however, the identity of the ruler is either obscure or disputed; hence they have been put together in separate groups, and placed at the beginning of the list. Inscriptions of other contemporary rulers have also been listed wherever, as in the case of Krsna III, such a list is calculated to elucidate the course of Cola History.

The following abbreviations are used for the names of districts:—

Anantapur	•••		•••	An.
North Arcot	•••	•••	•••	NA.
South Arcot	•••	•••	•••	SA.
Bellary	•••	•••		Bel.
Chingleput	•••	•••	•••	Ch.
Chittoor	•••	•••	•••	C.
Coimbatore	•••	•••	•••	Coi.
Cuddapah	•••	•••	•••	Cud.
Ganjam	•••	•••	•••	G_j .
Godavari	•••	•••	•••	God.
Guntur	***	***	•••	Gu.
South Kanar	a	•••	•••	SK.
Krishna	•••	•••	• • •	Kr.
Karnool	•••	•••		Kar.
Madras	•••	•••	•••	Ms.
Madura	•••	•••	•••	Md.
Malabar	•••	***	•••	Mal.
Nellore	***	•••	•••	Nel.
Ramnad	•••	•••	•••	Rd.
Salem	•••	•••	•••	Sm.
Tanjore	•••	•••	•••	Tj.
Tinnevelly	•••	•••	•••	Tin.
Trichinopoly	7	•••	•••	Tri.
Vizagapatan	ı	•••	•••	Viz.
Cochin	•••	•••	•••	Cn.
Mysore	•••	•••	•••	Mys.
Pudukkottah	·		,	Pd.
Travancore	•••	•••	•••	Tv.

Also, caturvedi-mangalam is abbreviated into catm., and n-d. signifies 'no date.'

RĀJAKĒSARIVARMAN

- Year 2—*Lālguḍi* (Tri.)—Five *kalañju* for some lamps in the temple by Arangan Paṭṭālagan of the Madhurāntakateriñja-kaikkōla-paḍai, a Kaikkōla of Śōlamādēviyār Vēļam (in Tanjore).

 89 of 1892; *SII.* iv 536.
 - " Sendalai (Tj.)—Gold for lamp deposited with the sabhā. 61 of 1897; SII. iv 10.
 - " Śrīnivāsanallār (Tri.)—Thirty sheep and thirty goats for a lamp in the temple of Tiru-kurakkut-turai-perumāṇaḍigaļ at Mahēndra-mangalam. 586 of 1904.
 - frinivāsanallūr (Tri.)—Registers the tax-free lands of the temple and allots the revenues therefrom for its various requirements. A special vāriyam and the kaņakku did the work.

 596 of 1904.
 - Tirumaṇañjēri (Tj.)—An arrangement by Uḍaiya-pirāṭṭiyār Śembiyan Mādēviyār, mother of Uttama Cōṭa,
 regarding expenses for the temple from the proceeds of
 14 vēli of land in Mūlanguḍi.
 21 of 1914.
 - Tirumeyñānam (Tj.)—The assembly of Nālūr, a trahma-dēya transferred the right of collecting angāḍik-kūli in the bazaar of their town (engaḥūr) to the temple of Mūlasthānattu Mahādēva of Tirumayānam—the rate being kāśinvāy nāḷi of each measurable stuff like paddy and rice brought up for sale from outside Nālūr; kiḍandu viṛpana kuvūlāl (heap) nāḷi; one palam of articles sold by weight; one paṛṛu on each basket of betel-leaves; two nuts for each basket of areca-nuts. This transfer was apparently in consideration of 25 kāśu received by the assembly from the temple.

321 of 1910; SII. iii 90 *

" Tirunāgēśvaram (Tj.)—Gift with the consent of the guild (Nagara-anuccaiyāl) of vārāvaigal collected annually till then by the Nagaram (i. e., the Perunagarattār of Kumāra-mārtāṇḍa-puram) on account of two flower gardens of the Milāḍuḍaiyār-paḷḷi of that

^{*} Palaeographically of the time of Aditya I. H. K. Sastri.

village; the gift was made for the renovation (puduk-kuppuram) of the göpura and the tiruccurrālai (called Mouna-kumāra-māttāṇḍan) in the paļļi.

222 of 1911; SII. iii. 91 *

Year 2—Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—Thirty kalañju of gold by Śōlapperumānadigal Perunagkkilli-śōlan for lamp.

143 of 1928.

- " Tiruppugalūr (Tj.)—Silver vessels to god Pugalūr-dēva.

 Another damaged record in year 3 of ...varman records gift of a silver vessel by Pattan Dānatongiyār queen of Uttama Cōļa-dēva.

 70 of 1928.
- Tiruvenkādu (Tj.)—Land, by purchase, for offerings to the temple of Tiruvenkādu-dēva by one of the Pārthivaśēkharat-terinja-kaikkōļar. † 491 of 1918.
- " Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—Eight Ilakkāśu to the shrine of Purāņa-gaṇapati on the south side of the Mūlasthāna at Tiruvidaimarudil by a native of Ēmanallūr, a brahmadēya in Vadagarai-maṇṇi-nāḍu. 239 of 1907.
- for feeding 15 Brahmans and 5 Sivayogis and for paddy for a Brahman who supplied water for the sacred bath of god.

 577 of 1920. ‡
- Year 3—Allūr (Tri.)—Gift of waste land with the permission of Vīraśōla-Ilangōvēl alias Parāntakan Kuñjaramallan.

380 of 1903.

- " Kāncīpuram (Ch.)—Loan raised from the temple by the Ūrār of Tirukkarralipurattu-Menalūr. The interest on the loan of 18 kaļanju, 3 manjādi and 1 kunriwas one uļakku of oil every day. SII. i. 84.
- * cf. 199 of 1907; ARE. 1912 II. 12. Kumāra-māttāņda was a surname of Nandivarman II.
- + Wrongly explained as 'a body of weavers' so named after Rajaraja I in ARE. 1919 II 10.
- ‡ This seems to refer to Aditya II falling a victim to some treachery on the part of local chiefs; their lands were confiscated by Rajaraja, and these lands, after purchase by another, came to be used for feeding Brahmans in the Siva temple at Kattumannar-koyil of which Udaiyargudi was a hamlet. ARE. 1921 II. 31.

- Year 3—Kilappaluvūr (Tri.)—Two silver vessels to the temple by queen of Vikramašõla Ilangövēlār and daughter of Paluvēṭṭaraiyar. 110 of 1895; SII. v. 671.
 - " Kumbakönam (Tj.)—Sale of land by the assembly (mūlaparuṣai) of Tirukkuḍamūkkil to a Vellāļa, Arai-yan Kalangāmalai, for feeding (uttamāgram) a Śiva-yōgin in a temple. 227 of 1911.
 - " Kumbakönam (Tj.)—Mentions one of the Vira-śōla. *
 teriñja-kaikkölar of Tanjore. 228 of 1911.
 - Kumbakönam (Tj.)—Sale of land to temple for 500 kalañju of gold by the assembly of Tirukkudamükkil, in order to pay a part of 3,000 kalañju, a dandam levied upon them by Madiraikonda-udaiyar in his 38th year. Mentions Pandippadai as those to whom the amount was to be paid and the temple of Jalasayana.

255 of 1911. †

- " Olagapuram (SA.)—Sheep for lamp by Ambalavan Gaṇḍarādittanār, a perundaram of the king, who built the temple of Śri-Kailāyattu-Paramasvāmigaļ; Ulōgamādēvi-puram a taniyūr in Ōymā-nāḍu. 129 of 1919.
- " Paṇḍāravāḍai (Tj.)—Land, by purchase, by a Veḷḷāḷa of Iḷamangalam a suburb (piḍāgai) of Rājakēsari-catm., to a resident of Manōramac-cēri‡ for bringing water from the river for the sacred bath of the deity. Coin karungāśu mentioned. The purchase was bināmi, (anyanāma-karaṇam) 238 of 1923.
- " Paṇḍāravāḍai (Tj.)—Land by a native of Puḷḷamangalam residing at Naratongac-cēri, as a jīvita to a person for bringing water daily from the river for sacred bath.

276 of 1923.

- " Salem (Sm.)—Five kaļanju of gold for feeding Brahmans in the temple by a merchant belonging to the manigrāmam of Kodumbāļur. 47 of 1888; SII. iv. 147.
- Title of Paräntaka I. cf. Samarakësari and Vikramasinga in other names of similar groups of Kaikkölar. 278, 279 of 1911, ARE. 1912 II. 16.
 - † Perhaps Gandaraditya, Rajaditya having died. ARE. 1912 II. 15.
- ‡ Parakësaric-cëri in the same village mentioned in 268 of 1923. See also next entry,

- Year 3—Sendalai (Tj.)—Gold (for lamp) deposited with the sabhā. 62 of 1897; SII. vi. 11.
 - " Tillaisthänam (Tj.)—Mentions two persons among the Samarakēsarit-teriñja-kaikkölar.

24 of 1895; SII. v. 580.

- " Tillaisthānam (Tj.)—Mentions Samarakēsari * and Vikramašinga-terinja-kaikkölar. 278 of 1911.
- " Tirukkolambiyür (Tj.)—Assembly of Düvedimangalam makes tax-free some temple land in return for 14 käsu. 53 of 1925.
- , Tirumalavādi (Tri.)—Gold by a native of Toṇḍai-nāḍu for aval (crushed rice) offering on the Ārdrā day in the month of Mārgaļi to Gaṇapati. The temple, which is picturesquely situated on the bend of the Koļļidam river, is called Punal-vāyil-Śrī-kōyil.

98 of 1920,

- " Tirunedungaļam (Tri.)—Year six in words. Image Lõkasundari set up by a private individual in the temple of Tirunedungaļattu Āļvār. Also land for offerings. 682 of 1909.
- " Tiruvāmāttur (SA.)—96 sheep by Rāman Siddhavaḍavan alias Vikkarama-śōla-Milāḍuḍaiyān of the Bhārgava gōtra, for lamp in the temple at Tiruvāmāttūr, a dēvadāna in Vāvalūr-nāḍu, a division of Aruvā-nāḍu.

29 of 1922.

- ", Tiruvellarai (Tri.)—Gold for feeding at noon a Brahman versed in the Vēdas. 519 of 1905.
- " Tiruverumbūr (Tri.)—Sale of land by residents of Erumbiyūr and the assembly of Śrikantha-catm., to Śembiyan Vēdivēļān. 123 of 1914.
- Tiruverumbūr ('fri.)—Land by assembly for singing Tiruppadiyam in temple with udukkai and tālam. The donor was Śembiyan Vēdivēļān. Refers to a sīmāvivāda between sabhā and ūr. 129 of 1914.

^{*} Also in 279 of 1911 same year and place.

Year 3—Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—Paddy by Tiraimūr sabhā and Tiruvidaimarudil nagarattār, Tirukköyil-udaiyār and Śrīkāryam-ārāy-ginga Irumudi-sõļa-pallava-Λraiyar.

152 of 1895; SII. v. 716.

- " Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—Provision for supply of two tender cocoanuts daily to the deity. Six karungāsu with Tiruvidaimarudil Sēnaiyār. 242 of 1907.
- mangalam for maintaining three musicians (kāļam and gong) during śrībali to Mangala Nakkar in the temple of Mahādēva.

 116 of 1926.
- ,, Tiruviśalār (Tj.)—Land by queen of Uttama Cōļa-dēva, who seems to have been the daughter of Milāḍuḍaiyār.

 325 of 1907.
- " Tiruviśalūr (Tj.)—Mentions mother of Śrī Uttama Coļadēva. 327 of 1907.
- " Udaiyārgudi * (SA.)—Gold for lamp by a native of Paṇḍitavatsalac-cēri. 543 of 1920.
- " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Gold by a Brahman lady of Vādavūr in Pāṇḍi-nāḍu for lamp. 599 of 1920.
- " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—19 vēli of land by three persons for feeding 56 Brahmans; king Uttama Cōla mentioned.
 614 of 1920.
- ,, *Uraiyūr* (Tri.)—Mentions Kirtti-mārtāṇḍa-Brahmādhirājan. 182 of 1907.
- ., Vṛddhācalam (SA.)—Assignment by residents (ūrōm) of Nerkuppai of some dēvadāna lands got from the king to an individual for supply of sandal paste etc.

57 of 1918. †

^{*} A number of Rajak. records ranging from year 3 to year 16 come from this place. The temple here came into existence only in Parantaka I's time. Hence this Rajak, must be either Gandaraditya or Sundara Cola. But the name of G. is omitted in the Kanyakumari inscription, and he perhaps had a short reign, or was only coregent with his father. ARE. 1921 II. 27.

[†] Mentions a grant by Uttama Cola and hence may be of Rajaraja I. ARE. 1918 II. 23.

- Year 3+1 Nangavaram (Tri.)—Land for maintaining the boat plying in the tank at Ariñjigai-catm. 342 of 1903. *
- Year 4.—Gudimallam (NA.)—Land, two pattis of 1000 kuli each, for offerings etc., to an image of Küttapperumāl set up in the Paraśurāmēśvara temple by Madhurāntakan Gandarādittar. † 222 of 1903.
 - " Innambūr (Tj.)—Temple called Arinjigai Viņnagar was built in the name of Śatti-Arinjigai alias Tennavan Vilupparaiyan of Innambar, and provision made for feeding five Brahmans in the temple. 321 of 1927.
 - " Tirukkurugāvūr (Tj.)—Remission by the assembly (sabhā) of Poygaikkudi of the taxes due on the lands granted to temple. 430 of 1918.
 - " Tirumāļam (Tj.)—Crown set with gems to the temple of Mahākāļattu Mahādēva by Kāripuliyan ‡ alias Sõļamārāyan of Paļuvūr in Kunrak-kūrram.

114 of 1910.

- garden endowed by the father of the donor, a merchant.

 149 of 1928.
- by the 'annual committee' of Tiruttaniyal. (Samvat-sara-vāriyam of the sabhā). 432 of 1905.
- merchant of Purusottama-mangalam in Valluva-nadu, a district of Malai-nadu, for a perpetual lamp in the Varahadeva temple of this village for ghee (neyyennai) supplied as interest by the residents of Paduvur.

263 of 1910.

- * 341 n-d. grantha verse gives names of tank and donor; 343 n-d. (Tamil) gives details of daily removal of silt, and of repairs to boat.
- † Perhaps son of Madhurāntaka Uttama Coļa, son of Gaṇḍarādittan. cf. S.II. iii. 49 (ARE. 1904 I 20). This Gaṇḍarāditya II must have been the religious devotee, author of Tiruvisaippā, rather than the son of Parāntaka. (Venkayya) ASI. 1905-6 p. 173, n. 5.
- ‡ ef. 117 of 1910 of Year 2 of Parak, who took the head of Pandya. The Rajak, of this record must be the immediate predecessor of Parak. Arinjaya of Aditya II. ARE, 1910 II. 17.

Year 4.—Tiruverumbūr (Trir)—15 kalanju of gold by Tiruvaranga-devaradiyā! Śendan-śeyyavāy-maṇi for a lamp and a pot of water every day to the temple of Tenkailāyattu Mahādeva at Śrikantha-catm.

114 of 1914. *

- " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Land by purchase for the mid-day meal of three persons every day. 560 of 1920.
- " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Land (iraiyili) by the great assembly of Viranārāyaṇa-catm., assembled at Viranārā-yaṇaviṇṇagar, for food offerings thrice a day to the deity.

 562 of 1920.
- " Venpākkam (Ch.)—Construction of a sluice (tūmbu) by a certain Kēraļan Rājādittan alias Nāņi-viccādara-mārāyan who had the jīvita in Vēlikkon-mangalam in Kunra-nāḍu, a sub-division of Ūrrukkāṭṭa-kōṭṭam.

419 of 1923.

- Year 4,—, day 89—Śrirangam (Tri.)—A settlement re: the temple dēvadānas and other matters by the Perungurisabhā of Śrīrangam.

 69 of 1892; SII. iv. 516.
 - , day 204—Mělappaluvār (Tri.)—Grant of certain rights in the temple of Tiruttöṭṭam-uḍaiyār built by Paluvēṭṭ-araiyan Kaṇḍan Maravan who seems to have been staying at Śēnāpuram in Malāḍu. † 394 of 1924.
- Year 4 + 1—*Tiruvāmāttūr* (SA.)—Lamp by Śiriya-mārāyan of Īkkuḍi and his brothers, on behalf of Candirāccan, son of Kāļi *alias* Minavan Mārāyan of Tennavan-mādēvi in Veņ-nāḍu. 27 of 1922.
- Year 5.—Kāmarasavalli (Tri.)—Land (made tax-free by sabhā) for śidāri by a Brahman of Ādanūr. 74 of 1914. ‡
 - " Kilūr (SA.)—Sheep for lamp. Mentions queen of Vikrama Cola Malādudaiyār, who was the daughter of Pāṇdiyanār. 7 of 1905. §

^{*} Later than Parantaka I. ARE. 1915 II. 20.

[†] Malattuc-cenapuratte irukka (Text).

^{‡ 4}th Jan. 964 A. D. (Sundara) or 2nd Jan. 991 A. D. (Rājarāja)—K. V. S. Aiyar, El. xix. p. 86.

[§] cf. 10 of 1905.

Year 5.—Kumbakonam (Tj.)—70 İlakkasu for offerings.

236 of 1911.

Manimangalam (Ch.)—90 slieep for lamp to Tiruvāyappādi Śrikrsna Perumāl. Name Lokamahādēvi-catm., and the Ganapperumakkal doing śrikāryam to this god (inda dēvarkku) mentioned.

292 of 1897; SII. vi. 270.

Palür (Tri.)—One vėli of land for offerings to Paramėsvara at Tiruppaluvūr in Vilattūr-nādu by the chieftain Mahimālaya Irukkuvēļ alias Pirāntakan Vīra-solan. *

346 of 1918.

- Pulallür (Ch.)-Land for offerings at mid-day service to Tirumërrali-mahadeva of the village, and for a flower garden, at the instance of the assembly of Paramēśvara-catm. in Eyirköttam, the members of the annual supervision committee and two other 47 of 1923. persons.
- (SA.)-Lamps to Tiruttindisvara at Tindivanam 143 of 1900; SII. vii, 157. Kidangil.
- Tiruvaiyaru (Tj.)-25 kalanju of gold for half a lamp deposited with the Nagarattar of Sivapuri.

135 of 1918.

- Tiruverumbūr (Tri.)-Land for feeding 15 Brahmans by Sembiyan Vēdi-vēļār. 103 of 1914.
- Tiruverumbūr (Tri.)—Decision of the assembly of Śrikantha-catm. that no taxes shall be levied on the temple belongings; the persons who violate this decision will be shunned and treated as gramakantakas. and fined by the Māhēśvaras. The settlement was engraved on the Śrivimana by the committee supervising the affairs of the temple for the year.

133 of 1914. †

- Year 6.—Allur (Tri.)—Gold for supply of bathing water to temple. 383 of 1903.
- * Indicates original employment under Parantaka I. Hence, this record is one of Gandaraditya or Parantaka II. ARE. 1919 II 10.
- † ARE. 1915 II 20. Earlier than 907 A.D. (L.D.S.); 4th January 961 A.D. (Sundara) or 27th May, 991 A.D. (Rajaraja) K. V. S. Aiyar, El. xix p. 86.

- Year 6.—Kāncīpuram (Ch.)—900 sheep by the king for ten lamps in his name in the temple of Ainjandi Durgaiyār; an adhikārin distributed these among certain persons who in turn had to supply ghī. These sheep were got when Sippuli-nādu and Pākki-nādu were conquered * by Paraman Maļapādiyār alias Mummudi-Cōļan, chief of Kārukudi in Tanjāvūr-kūrram.
 - " Kāvērippākkam (NA.)—90 sheep for lamp to the Kirttimārttāṇḍan-kālapriya temple. † 382 of 1905.
 - Manimangalam (Ch.)—Land, 4,000 kuli, tax-free, to Viṣṇu temple at Ratnāgrahāra, also called Manimangalam alias Ulōkamahādēvi ‡ catm. in the Tamil part. The deity is called Dvārapuridēva. The Mahāsabhā agree not to collect irai, erccoru, veṭṭi, veyadikāṇam or anything else, and to condemn every one who does so to pay a fine of 25 kalañju.

7 of 1892; SII. iii. 27.

- " Palangōyil (NA.)—Lamp by Pāpayan, son of Nulambar-Vīra-śōļan. § 362 of 1925.
- " Palūr (Tri.)—Land by a native of Kāraikkudi for singing Tiruppadiyam in the temple. 349 of 1918.
- " Paṇḍāravāḍai (Tj.)—Village Kundamangalam, given tax-free (mīḍā-viṇaiyili) to the temple of Bhūmi-sundara-viṇṇagar Paramasvāmi at Simhaviṣṇu-catm. in Mudiccō-ṇādu, built by the donor Kaṇṇandai Arivāṇan Bhūmisundaran alias Sundarasoļa-Mūvēnda-vēṭān. For securing the exemption from taxes, the donor deposited 200 kaṭaūju of pon with the assembly of Simhaviṣṇu-
- * Pākki-nādu is the northera part of the Nellore District. Šīppuli-nādu must also have been there cf. ARE. 1913 II 18; also 160 of 1912 of year 34 of Parāntaka I for the earliest conquest. ARE. 1921, II 31.
- † Built possibly by Kṛṣṇa Ill who, in his Karhāḍ inscription, says that he was encamped at Mēlpāḍi for 'establishing his followers in the couthern provinces', and for 'constructing temples to Kālapriya, Gaṇḍamartāṇḍa, Kṛṇṇēśvara and others' (EI. iv p. 281). If this view is correct, this inscription may be one of Ariñjaya, probably a Rājakēsari. ARE. 1906 Il 21.
 - T After queen of Rajaraja I?
- § These names imply a time soon after Parantaka I. Nulamba and Vira may be the same as Nulamba Tribhuvana-dhira or his son Nulamba and the Ganga Prthivipati II (EI, iv pp. 88, 223). ARE, 1925 II 10.

- catm. Paddy was being sold at 15 kalam per kalañju. Interest rate was 75 per eent per annum. 232 of 1923.
- Year 6.—Pulallūr (Ch.)—Lamp to Taṇḍaladēva by the great assembly of Paramēśvara-catm. 49 of 1923.
 - salem (Sm.)—40 pon by Selvan-adigal to feed Brahmans every year on stated occasions, at the rate of 25 Brahmans per kalañju, with three curries, half pidi of ghi, eurd and betel. The occasions for feeding were the festival in the temple of Kilivannamudaiyar in Salem and Mūśi Makham. 49 of 1888; SII. iv 149.
 - " Tiruccirrambalam (Tj.)—Remission of taxes by assembly of Kulakkudi for lump amount received by them from a person, the amount being utilised for offerings to the deity at Tiruccirremam, a devadana-brahmadeya in Rajaraja-valanadu. 187 of 1926.
 - " Tirumūlpuram (NA.)—A gift by Madurāntakan Gaṇḍarādittan. 268 of 1906.
 - Perunguri-sabhā of Śrikantha-eatm. met in the Tiruccitrakuṭam of the village; the land was to serve as provision for feeding one Brahman daily in the manner detailed. 101 of 1892; SII, iv. 549.
 - for feeding in the choultry on the sacred hill a Brahman versed in the Veda. The Perunguri-sabhā of Śrikantha-catm. met in the Tiruccitrakūṭam of the village for making the land iraiyili. 127 of 1914.*
 - " Tiruverumbūr (Tri.)—Land set apart for feeding Brahmans versed in the Veda. Made tax-free by sabhā of Śrīkaṇṭha-catm. Wide discretion to Panmāhēśvarar in enforcing sabhā's decision. 130 of 1914. †
 - " Tiruverumbūr (Tri.)—Land as iraiyili by assembly of Śrikantha-catm. for the Madavilagam of the temple.

131 of 1914.

^{*}Earlier than A. D. 907 (L.D.S.); 23rd Dec. 962 A. D. (Sundara) or 17th Jan. 993 A.D. (Rajaraja.). K.V.S. Aiyar El. xix. p. 86.

[†] Earlier than 907 A.D. (L.D.S.); 27th December 964 (Sundara-con, preceding entry) or 19th January 992 A.D. (Rajaraja) K.V.S. Aiyar, El. xix p. 86.

- Year 6.—*Tiruviḍaimarudūr* (Tj.)—The Cōļa queen (Vāna?)-*
 van Mahādēvi came to worship the god. Meeting of
 sabhā and nagaram of the place. 215 of 1907.
 - " Tiruvirāmīśvaram † (Tj.)—Gift of land by purchase.

117 of 1911.

- " Udaiyārgudi ‡ (SA.)—Land by purchase to the assembly called Šāsananuddha-caturvēdibhaṭṭa-perumbaḍi-sahasradāna-perumakkaļ of Vīranārāyaṇa-catm. by Śēkkiļān Araiyan Śankaranārāyaṇan alias Śōḷa-mutta-raiyar of Mērpaluvūr(of Maṇayirkōṭṭam in Toṇḍai-nāḍ) as charity to the temple. 585 of 1920.
- Year 6,—day 55—Sambanārkōyil (Tj.)—Fragment of an introduction (Rājādhirāja II?). Land, for welfare of the king, for worship and repairs in temple by the assembly of Talaiccangādu. Mentions Rājasundaravadi.

174 of 1925.

Year 7.— Kāļappaļuvār (Tri.)—Land by wife of Adigaļ Paļuvēṭṭaraiyar Kandan Māṇan for daily offerings.

226 of 1926. §

" Kuttūlam (Tj.) Temple constructed by Śembiyan Mahādēviyār, mother of Uttama Coļa. Gift of lands by her as provision for offerings, worship, music and other expenses, and for twenty-five Brahmans reciting the Sāma, Taittirīya and Chandogā Sāma in the temple.

103 of 1926. ¶

" Olagapuram (SA.)—Salo of land by the Nagarattār of Ulakamādēvipuram to Gangan-Ambalavan Gaṇḍarāditta-śōḷa Viḷupparaiyan of Kuvaḷālam in Gangarasāyira for being presented to the temple for laying out a flower-garden. Mentions Kalikaṇṭaka-peruvarambu.

127 of 1919.

^{*} Text has (Panca).

[†] Perhaps Ramanadiccaram of the Devaram-ARE. 1911 II 17.

[‡] Kattumannarköyil (Cdm).

[§] Palaeographically Rajaraja I-ARE. 1926 II 17.

[¶] Ascribed to Parakësari Uttama Cola in ARE. 1926 II. 18, apparently because Uttama is named at the beginning of the record. But year 7 of Rājarāja-kësari is mentioned later; perhaps a record of Rājarāja's time.

- Year 7.—Tukkolam (NA.)—Eighty kaļanju of gold by Dharmak-kaṭṭalai-kal borrowed from the temple by the assembly of Aparājita-catm., a hamlet of Tiru-vūral-puram, on interest at 10 kaļanju per annum, the rate being 1/8 kaļanju per kaļanju per annum, and a fine of 1/8 pon for each day of default.

 255 of 1921.
 - " Tiruverumbūr (Tri.)—Land for feeding three Śivayōgins and two Brahmans in the choultry on the sacred Lill of the Āļvār at Tiruverumbiyūr. 101 of 1914. *
 - of Śrikantha-catm.

 Tiruvegumhür (Tri.)—Land for a channel by the sabhä
 of Śrikantha-catm.

 102 of 1914.
 - " Tiruverumbür (Tri.)—Sale of land by assembly of Peruvengür to Vēļān Viranārāyaṇan alias Sembiyan Vēdivēļān, who is said to have constructed the Śrivimāna of Tiruverumbiyūr Āļvār. Land also made iraiyili by sabhā after taking irai-kāval-dravyam.

104 of 1914. †

- ,, Tiruverumbūr (Tri.)—Sale for 45 kalaūju of the right to levy some paddy on lands by the assembly of Śrikaṇṭha-catm. to Śembiyan Vēdivēļān for digging the village tank.

 105 of 1914. ‡
- " Tiruverumbūr (Tri.)—Land as jīvitu for maintaining a watchman, bought from the ūr for money provided by Sembiyan Vēdivēļān, who built the central shrine.

112 of 1914.

Year 8.—Sendalai (Tj.)—Assembly of Candralēkai-catm. sold one vēli of land, tax-free, to a person for upkeep of an ambalam which he had erected in the village.

202 of 1926.

- * 27th December 964 A.D. (Sundara) or 19th January 992 A.D. (Rājarāja) K. V. S. Aiyar EI, xix p. 86.
- † Earlier than 907 A.D. (L.D.S.). But the names Viranārāyana and Uttamaśīli-catm. make this impossible. Either 14th January, 964 A.D. (Sundara), or 11th January 994 A.D. (Rājarāja)-K. V. S. Aiyar EI. xix. p. 86.
- ‡ See note under preceding entry. Either 15th August 963 A. D. (Sundara) or 12 August 993 A. D. (Rājarāja)-K. V. S. Aiyar EI. xix. p. 86.

Year 8.—Tillaisthānam (Tj.)—Twenty kaļañju gold for lamp by Ādittan Kannaradēvan, * son of the Cōļa king. Sabhā and ūr in charge of the endowment.

38 of 1895, SII. v. 595.

- ", Tirunedungalam (Tri.)—Land to a native of Śūralūr by the Māhēśvaras, temple servants and residents of the village.

 683 of 1909.
- Tiruppalātturai (Tri.)—Land to Paramēśvara temple at Tiruppaņambūdūr in Uttamaśili-catm., a brahmadēya in Ten-karai, by an officer of Piļļaiyār Arikulakēsaridēvar. † Sabhā makes the land tax-free. 176 of 1907.
- Tiruppalātturai (Tri.)—Land to Tiruppaṇambūdūr Paramēśvara by one of the perundaram of Pillaiyār Arikulakēsari-dēva. ‡ The land was made iraiyili by the Perunguri-sabhā. 570 of 1908; SII. iii. 111.
- guri-sabhā of Uttamaśili-catm. Mentions the servaut of Λ̄ļvār Arikulakēsari-dēva who figures as donor in the preceding record (570 of 1908).

574 of 1908 §; SII. iii. 112.

- " Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Land sold tax-free by the Mahāsabhā for feeding daily twenty Brahmans in the Kurukṣētra temple of the village. The charity was to be administered by the authorities of the temple (ikkūyil śrīkāryam ścyvārē) 40 of 1898, SII, vi. 323.
- i. e., Kṛṣṇa, son of Āditya. Archaic palaeography. Āditya I perhaps had a son, an unknown brother of Parāntaka. Thus, archaic Rājakēsari inscriptions may be those of Āditya I, and likewise, Parakēsari records, those of Vijayālaya. (Hultzsch in ARE. 1895 paragraph 12). cf. 251 of 1894 of Rājak 20; 356 of 1903 of Parak. 15; 218 of 1904 of Rajāk. 37. Also T. A. G. Rao in MCC. Magazine Vol. 24. pp. 128-9, agrees with Hultzsch.
 - † Son of Parantaka I (EI. vii pp. 141-2)-ARE. 1908 II 51.
- ‡ If Arikulakësari is identical with Arihjaya, the Rajakësari of this record may be Gandaraditya ASI. 1908-9, p. 122 (H. K. Sastri).
- § King identified with Gandarāditya by H. K. Sastri. Tiruppārgurai and Tiruppanambūdūr were apparently hamlets of Uttamašīli, quite close. For Arikulakēsari, see 316 of 1903 of Parak. 3 (Parāntaka I), and El. vii p. 141. He is said to be a military officer of Parāntaka in ARE. 1909 II. 38, where also the Parak. of 316 of 1903 is taken to be Gandarāditya.

Year 8.—Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—A resolution of a full meeting (ābūla-vṛddhar-amaiya) of the Mahūsabhā, met in the big maṇḍapa, by which paṭṭi-kāḍi was not to be collected after a certain day and the Śraddhāmantar were authorised to punish breaches of the resolution.

62 of 1898; SII. vi. 345.

- Year 9.—Alanguḍi (Tj.)—Land, on a solar eclipse day, by the headman of Tañjāvūr for mid-day offerings every day to Rāghava Perumāļ at Irumbūļai in Simhaviṣṇu-catm. a brahmadēya on the S. bank. 498 of 1920.
 - ,, Badūr (NA.)—Land as igaiyili to temple by the residents (ûr) of Vādavūr. 410 of 1922.
 - sendalai (Tj.)—The Perunguri-sabhā of Candiralēkai-catm. purchase land in the 53rd kudumbu of the village, and assign it as iraiyili bhāratappangu to Singinandil-Svarūpa-bhaṭṭa of the Ātrēya gōtra and Vaikhānasa sūtra, a native of Perumbuliyūr, who has to read the Bhāratam every day in the ambalam built in the brahmasthāna of the village by one Vairamēghabhaṭāra. Whoever enjoys the pangu after the first incumbent has to do the same.

63 of 1897 : SII. vi. 12.

" Sendalai (Tj.)—Two bits of land by purchase by two members of the assembly for expenses during the festival to Tirupperundurai-perumāṇ-aḍigaļ.

209 of 1926, *

- " Tirunāgēšvaram (Tj.)—Mentions Arinījigaip-pirāṭṭiyār, a Bāṇa queen and daughter of prince Arikulakēsari; and the Simhalas. 215 of 1911. †
- " Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—The laying out of a sirusenbaga flower-garden by Tiruveņkāṭṭu-piccan.

260 of 1907.

Year 10—Mēlappaļuvūr (Tri.)—The residents (Nagarattār) of Avani-Kandarpapura had the inscription engraved to

^{*} Aditya I, ARE. 1926 II. 17.

[†] The date is doubtful in the original; the regnal year may be 2 or 3. ARE. 1912, II 16.

the effect that the manzupādu prevailing at Nandipuram from olden times should also be in force in this village. Order issued by Paluvēṭṭaraiyan Mazavan Kaṇḍanār.

365 of 1924.

Year 10-Tirucculi (Rd.)-(Vatteluttu)-Frag. Lamp.

417 of 1914.

" Tiruvidaimarudār (Tj.)—Twenty īļakkāśu equal to 10 kaļañju pon for a lamp by Poduvan Śirradi, a woman (peṇḍātti) of the retinue of Udaiya-pirāṭṭiyār, the ācciyār of Ānaimērrunjina Udaiyār. Twenty-four kaļañju more for taṇṇīr-amudu-vaṭṭil.

156 of 1895; SII. v 720.

Year 11.—Tillaisthānam (Tj.)—Two paṭṭams of gold made by the auditor of temple accounts (? śrikāryam ārāyapperra) out of 13¾ kalañju and 2 mañjāḍi collected as kurradaṇḍam from three persons including the Nagarakkaraṇattān of the place (ivvūr).

35 of 1895; SII. v 592, same as 283 of 1911.

- Year 11, day 300—Tiruppūndurutti (Tj.)—30 pon for lamp by Nangai Śāttaperumānār, the mistress (bōgiyār) of the Cōļa king.

 105 of 1931. *
- Year 12—Kilappaluvūr (Tri.)—Ninety sheep for lamp by Adigal Paluvēṭṭaraiyar Maravan Kaṇḍan. 229 of 1926. †
 - " Talaiccangādu (Tj.)—Lamp by a merchant of Kollam in Malai-nādu. 202 of 1925.
 - " Tiruvaiyāļu (Tj.)—Lamp by a queen, Śembiya.... dēviyār alias Kulamāņikka Nambirāṭṭiyār.

250 of 1894; SII. v 549.

- " Tiruviśalūr (Tj.)—Ninety-six sheep for a lamp by a native of the Pāṇḍya country. 37 of 1907.
- Year 12+1.—Mēlappaļuvūr (Tri.)—Assignment of a temple land to an individual by the temple authorities at the instance of Adigal Paluvēṭṭaraiyar Magavan Kaṇḍanār.

 370 of 1924.
 - * Aditya L. ARE. 1931, II. 4.
 - † Sundara Cola-ARE. 1926 II. 7.

- Year 13—Lālguḍi (Tri.)—Sale of land by sabhā of Maṇalkal for 30 kalañju for a lamp endowed by Nangai-Varaguṇa-perumānār, the sister of the Côla king (Śōlapperuman-adigal tiru-uḍaippirandār Nangai-Varaguṇa-perumānār).

 250 of 1931; El. xx. p. 53.
 - " Mēlappaļuvūr (Tri.)—Eight mā of land reclaimed for one lamp in each of the two shrines in Avanikandarpa-Īśvara temple in Kunrak-kūrram, under orders of Nakkan Pūdi Paļuvēttaraiyan Kumāran Kaṇḍan.

357 of 1924.

Tillaisthānam (Tj.)—50 kaļañju gold to Tiruneyttānattu-Mahādēva by Tennavan Pirudi Mārāśan alias Kaṭṭi Oṛṛiyūran, and Varaguṇa-perumānār queen of Parāntaka Iļangōvēļār. * With this gold some land was converted from dry to wet cultivation. Among the boundaries is Karikālakkarai.

287 of 1911; SII. iii. 113.

- Year 14.—Paṇḍāravāḍai (Tj.)—Twenty karungāśu by Śenda Nakkapirān Bhaṭṭa Sarvakratu-yājiyār (cf. 234 of year 7.) The interest on the amount, 3 kāśu was to be given to the best reciter of certain prescribed portions of the Jaiminīya Sāma Veda on the night of the Ārdrā festival in Mārgaļi after the saered bath of the deity. It was stipulated that no prize-winner should compete a second time. 266 of 1923.
 - by Nangai Śāttapperumānār, the concubine (bāgiyār) of the Cola king. The sabhā and ūr undertake to maintain the lamp, by assigning some temple land for the charity, and use the money for making a Namanamandapa to the deity.

 36 of 1895; SII. v. 593; 284 of 1911 is copy of the same.

^{*}Another name of Vikramakësari, contemporary of Aditya II. But this llangovë, is mentioned in 27th and 21st year of Rājāk, and Parak. inscriptions, and it is difficult to fit such high figures into the 35 years before the accession of Rājarāja. (ARE. 1912 II. 18). Venkayya suggested Āditya's time for Vikramakësari; but palaeographically it seems to be earlier,—H. K. Sastri, who makes this a Gandarāditya record. SII, iii ibid.

- Year 14.—Vēdal (NA.)—Vidāl is called also Mādēvi-ārāndimangalam. * Mentions Kanakavīrakkuratti, a female disciple of Guṇakīrtibhaṭārar, and her disciples (valimāṇākkiyār.) The valiyilār, lay disciples, undertake the protection and feeding of those 400 tāpasis, as there was no agreement (kollādamaiyil) between them and the 500 male members of the monastery (ikkōyirpillaigal.) 84 of 1908; SII. iii. 92. †
- Year 15.—Tillaisthānam (Tj.)—Lamp by an inhabitant of Tañjāvūr. Ends: Ippatipāda mūlaṭṭōmum pirama-dēyak-kilavarum ūrōmum. 39 of 1895; SII. v. 596.
- Year 16.—Kũvanũr (NA.)—400 kuli of land by a member of the assembly (ālunganam) for lamp to Puli-pagava-dēva.

 158 of 1921.
 - Cintāmaṇi, the headman of Tattanūr, permitting the adoption of the old scale of taxes prevailing at Nandipuram ‡ for the village Palavūr by the chief Adigal Palavēṭṭaraiyar Maravan Kaṇḍanār § to whom Karambiyan Pirāntakan alias Karuviḍaip-pēraraiyan had petitioned.

 367 of 1924.
 - " Tiruccengödu (Sm.)—Gold for feeding Brahmans. 625 of 1905.
 - " Tiruvaiyāgu (Tj.)—Land for lamp by Mūvaraiyan Pāli Nakkan bought from Andanūr-ūrār for thirty kalaūju. 249 of 1894; SII. v. 548.
 - Year 17.—Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Land by one of the members of the temple of Tiruvēgambam at Kaccippēdu for sandal paste to god at Rājamalla-catm. The charity was under protection of Śri-kōyir-kaṇavāriyap-perumak-kaļ. 206 of 1915.

On the kilvali, eastern road, like Negkunam. ARE. 1909 II 36.

⁺ Palaeographically Aditya I.

[‡] cf. year 10-365 of 1924.

[§] This person is not mentioned in the inscriptions of Parantaka. Must be later, perhaps of the time of Sundara Cola. cf. 381 of 1924, Parakesari (Yr. 13). ARE, 1924 II 10. Text has date, 1(1).

- Year 17.—Paṇḍāravāḍai (Tj.)—Undertaking by two persons to supply ghī and paddy to temple in return for cows and money received by them at various times in the reign of 'Madiraikoṇḍa Mārāyar.' 230 of 1923.
 - pandāravādai (Tj.)—Agreement by certain persons to burn lamps in the temple for the money they had received from the temple in the years 1(2), 14 and 19 of 'Madiraikonda Mahārāyar.' 237 of 1923.
 - " *Šendalai* (Tj.)—Ten *kalañju* gold by a lady for offerings (*tiruvanidu*). Deposited with the Vadavāccālaip-perumakkaļ, the interest being "*nišadi kuņuņi nel*."

58 of 1897 *; SII. vi. 7.

" Tillaisthānam (Tj.)—100 sheep with the sabhā for lamp by the Cōļa queen Kiļāraḍigaļ.

41 of 1895; SII. v. 598.

" Tillaisthānam (Tj.)—Twenty pon for lamp by another Côla queen Tennavan Mahādêviyār.

42 of 1895; SII. v. 599.

- " Tiruvaiyāru (Tj.)—Thirty kaļañju gold for a nandāviļakku by 'Niyamattu Irāśa-māttāṇḍapurattu Nakkan Aiyārraḍigaļ,' the concubine (bōgiyār) of the Coļa king. 244 of 1894; SII. v. 543.
- " Tiruvaiyāru (Tj.) -- Thirty kaļañju for lamp by Dēviyār kolāliyār for which the sabhā of Ādambuli(n)-gudi gave tax-free land.

245 of 1894; SII. v. 544.

- " Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—Land for jasmine garden by sabhā and ūr of Tiraimūr and nagaram of Tiruvidaimarudil. 216 of 1907.
- " Tiruvirāmiśvaram (Tj.)—Land for lamp by one of the gaṇattār of Madanamañjari-catm. 138 of 1911.
- Year 17, day 122.—Ukkal (NA.)—Mentions a meeting, in the local Viṣṇu temple, of the Mahāsabhā of Śrī-Vikramābharaṇa catm. including the samvatsara-vāriyap-perumakkal and the êri-vāriyap-perumakkal for the year, and others.

 31 of 1893; SII. iii. 13.

^{* 6-}A of 1899 i.e., SII. vi 442 is another similar record of same date.

- Year 18.—Kiliyanūr (SA.)—75 kaļañju of gold to the sabhā by an individual for feeding five Brahmans every day. 155 of 1919.
 - "Sendalai (Tj.)—Twelve kaļanju of gold by Mārambāvai, for lamp to the Piḍāri temple of Māgāļam at Niyamam.

 13 of 1899 *; SII. vi. 449.
 - " Tiruverumbūr (Tri.)—Land for lamp to Ten-Kailāyattu-Mahādēva at Śrikaṇṭha-catm. 119 of 1914. †
- Year 19.—Tiruceatturai (Tj.)—Śangu irandu ivai ūduvārkku bhōgam (incomplete). 5 8 of 1895; SII. v. 615.
 - " Tiruvaiyāru (Tj.)—Land for lamp by Kaccippēţţukkudiraic-cēri Ammakkanār magaļār Śōļa-perumānadigaļ dēviyār Aliśi-kāṭṭadigaļ. Mentions (in recording boundaries) Paluvēṭṭaraiyar Nambi Maravanār Tiruppallittāmam. 238 of 1894; SII. v. 537.
 - " Tiruvaiyānı (Tj.)—Sheep (18.) for lamp by Śōlapperumānadigal Dēv tu Alundūr Tirunāraņa Mahādēvi. 239 of 1894; SII. v. 538.
 - " Tiruvēdikkudi (Tj.)—Ten kaļanju gold for lamp; undertaking to burn a lamp with ‡ measure of oil every day, as interest on the sum, by 'Tiruvēdikkudi Tiru (kko). munbu ningu dēvar paņi šeydōm' and others. 67 of 1895; SII. v. 624.
 - " Tiruverumbūr (Tri.)—Land for lamp and offerings by a Brahman lady who built the shrine of Ādittabhaṭṭāraka on the hill. 118 of 1914.
- Year 20.—Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Land for feeding a Brahman in the temple of Pondai Perumānadigal by one of the ālungaņattar of Rājamalla-catm. in Tiruvēgamba puram. 237 of 1915.
 - " Kudumiyāmalai (Pd.)—Gold for lamp by one of the female relatives of Perumbidugu Muttaraiyan.

314 of 1904.

[°] cf. 16 of 1898-Year 24.

[†] Later than Parantaka I. ARE. 1915 II. 20.

- Year 20.—Tiruccendurai (Tri.)—A certain merchant of Tañjāvūr named Karuņāṭaka Pulalāya Seṭṭi built the temple called Pulalāya Viṇṇagar and set up the deity. He purchased and gave to the temple the land adjoining it. 325 of 1903.
 - " Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—One hundred sheep left with the pādamālattār for one lamp and occasional service.

124 of 1895; SII. v. 686.

- Year 20, day 333—Tiruvaiyānu (Tj.)—Land for lamp by the nurse (tūti) of Kannaradēva. 251 of 1894; SII. v 550; MCC. Mag. xxiv. p. 128.
- Year 22.—Mēlappaļuvūr (Tri.)—Land, 8 mā, to temple by Vadugan Mādavan Paļuvēṭṭaraiyan Kumaran Maravan, after reclaiming some waste land in the dēvadāna villages, to provide for one perpetual lamp in each of the shrines in the Amanikandarpa-Īśvara-gṛha.

360 of 1924. *

- " Tirakköl (NA.)—Gift to Gangāśūrap perumbaļļi at Rājēndrapuram. 277 of 1916.
- " Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—397½ palam of (?) to temple by Marpidugu Kalvan Amarakalan † of Tirukköttiyür.

 169 of 1928.
- Year 23.—Puduppākkam (Ch.)—Land, tax-free, to temple of Bhaṭāri by assembly of Nallaḍimangalam, in Mērpaļu-gūr-nāḍu, a sub-division of Maṇayir-kōṭṭam. Mentions Ilanakkaļ Kārtigaik-kaṇattār. 61 of 1923.
 - " Tiruccendurai (Tri.)—Sale of land to Pūdi Ādicca Piḍāriyār by Paruḍai of Īśānamangalam for 5 kalañju by Viḍēlviḍugu. 320 of 1903. ‡
 - " Tirumalavādi (Tri.)—Land by Āyiravan Ēnādi, headman (kiļān) of Ārkkādu. 18 of 1920.
 - · cf. 357 of Year 13.
 - + Perhaps a Muttaraya chief of the locality. ARE. 1928 II 2.
 - 1 cf. 316 of 3 Parak.

- Year 23.—Tiruppalanam (Tj.)-Twenty kalañju by Kādupaṭṭigal-Tamarmēttiyār, * mother of Vayiri Aka alias Tribhuvana-mādēviyār, queen of Śōlap-perumānaḍigal. 161 of 1928.
 - " Ukkal (NA.)—A record by the sabhā of Aparājita-catm., of the receipt of 200 pon from Śedirūr-Trivikkarama-bhaṭṭa alias Brahmādhirājar of the mīyāļungaṇam of Uttaramēru-catm., for feeding 12 Brahmans. Interesting details.

19 of 1893; SII. iii. 1. †

- Year 24.—Negkuņam (NA.)—Gift of three fields as ērippaṭṭi by Nambiyamallanār, son jof Nṛpatunga-maṅgalap-pēraraiyar, for the benefit of the tank at Negkuṇam (Śingapuranāṭṭuk-kilvali-Negkunṛam). Ānavāy daṇḍamulliṭṭu eppērppaṭṭa mangupāḍum ērikkuk-kuḍuttēn Nambiya mallanēn.

 86 of 1908; SII. iii. 93. ‡
 - "Niyamam (Tj.)—Five kaļanju gold by Adigaļ Kaņdan Mārambāvai, § queen of Nandipōttaraiyar of the Pallavatilaka race, for offerings to god and feeding twenty Brahmans and the 'talippaṇi-śeyyum māṇigal.' The interest is stated to be 1/8 kaļanju per kaļanju per pū (harvest). The money was on deposit with the temple priest, Ittalippaṭṭuḍaiyān Ĩśvarakkāraṇi Vāmadēvan Tiruveṇkāḍan. 16 of 1899; SII. iii. 94. ¶.
 - Sendalai (Tj.)—Five kaļanju for lamp by the wife of a learned Brahman. 208 of 1926
 - " Takkālam (NA.)—Piritipatiyār son of Māramaraiyar gave a silver vessel (kejuļi) weighing 317 kaļanju to
- * Perhaps Aditya I, who ruled for at least 28 years, espoused the daughter of a Pallava chieftain. Rajak. records from Tiruppalanam with years 21 to 26 may, hence, be his. Palaeography supports this—ARE. 1928 II. 2.
 - † Perhaps Aditya I.—Hultzsch.
- ‡ Palaeographically, Aditya I. ARE. 1909 II. 36. Anaväy-dandam is taken to be the name of a tax by II. K. Sastri; but anaväy may have the meaning as occasion arises.'
 - § 13 of 1899 (Yr. 18); 301-A of 1901 from Tiruccennambundi.
 - Palaeographically Aditya I.
 - Aditya I; 210 of 1926. ARE. 1926 II. 17.

- Tiruvural-Mahādēva on the occasion of a solar eclipse. 5 of 1897; SII. v. 1368; EI. xix. 12 *.
- Year 25.—Ālambākam (Tri.)—Land to temple of Saptamātṛkas by the assembly of Dantivarma-maṅgalam. 705 of 1909.
 - " Tiruvaiyāru (Tj.)—Thirty kaļañju gold for lamp, deposited with the Śivapuri-nagarattār.

243 of 1894; SII. v. 542

- " Tiruveļļagai (Tri.)—Thirty cows for a lamp by Šembiyan Maļanāṭṭu Vēļān alias Kogran Māgan. 522 of 1905.
- Year 26.—Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—Gift of a rudrākṣa necklace, set with gems to the deity by Gangamāttāṇḍar alias Śembiyan Pṛthivī-gangaraiyar, son of Mahādēvar of Pangaļa-nāḍu. † 177 of 1928.
- Year 26, day 181—Śrīrangam (Tri.)—90 kalañju of puttadikadanda śemmai-pon. Interest rate was one kalam and one tūņi of old paddy, yielding 120 kalam per annum, for feeding four Brahmans (daily.)?

70 of 1892; SII. iv. 517.

- maintaining a place for supply of drinking water during part of the year, before the pramāṇi-maṇḍapa of the village. The total interest yield per annum was 3 kaṭañju, at 3 mañjāḍi per kaṭañju per annum (15 per cent). The supervision of the charity was with the tank-committee.

 75 of 1898; SII. vi. 360.
- * Palaeographically earlier than Parantaka I. The donor here is the same as Pythvipati II, son of Marasimha, and later, friend of Parantaka I. Date must be either 7th June 894 A.D. or 28th May 895 A.D. giving acc. 870 or 871. The Kanyakumari records ays that, Aditya killed Aparajita, whose friend at Sri-Purambiyam (870 A.D.), was Ganga Pythivipati I, grandfather of the present donor. 'The Colas apparently did not count for much' at the time of the battle of Sri-Purambiyam, K.V.S. Aiyar. El. ibid.
- † cf. 139 of 1928, Parak. Yr. 11. Alivin-kallarsiyar an alias of Pythivi-gangaraiyar. 428 of 1902 (S. 871 or A.D. 949) mentions a Kallanangai, daughter of Pythivi-gangaraiyar who died at Arungungam. Pangala-naqu, part of Palkunga-köttam, was in the N. Arcot dt. A 'Pythivigangaraiyar was a feudatory of Parantaka I, and later of Kana III. ARE. 1928 II 3.

Year 27.—Brahmaděšam(NA.)—Gold for lamp and for feeding a Brahman by Nallulan Üradimagan Attamutti.

230 of 1915. *

Tirukkalukkungam (Ch.)—(Vatteluttu) On being petitioned by Puttan, son of Kunavan, the king renewed a gift of land to Tirnkkalukkungattu Śri Mūlasthānattuperumānadigal, originally made by Skandasisva and continued by Pādāvikonda Narasinga-pēttaraiyar.

167 of 1894; *EI*. iii. 279. †

- Tirumalavādi (Tri.)—Land for lamp by purchase from the assembly of Marpidugu-catm. 15 of 1920.
- Year 30.—Tiruvellarai (Tri.)—Gold for feeding at noon a Brahman versed in the Veda. 518 of 1905.
- Year (3)7. ‡—Mēlśēvūr (SA.)—Mentions Kannara-dēvar. 218 of 1904.

The regnal year is missing or uncertain in the following:—

- Alumbākkam.—Gift of Land, purchased from the sabhā of Dantivarma-mangalam, which had a tank called Märpidugeri. 712 of 1909.
- Kāviladi (Tj.)—Temple of Tiruppuratturai Emberumān built of stone by Sembiyan Vedi Velan, who also bought some land from the sabhā of Tiruppērūr, for 279 of 1901; SII. vii. 499. uvaccak-kāņi.
- Perungalūr (Pd.)—Fragment in early characters recording a gift of gold. Mentions a temple of Mahadeva at Śōlacidamani-catm., and the village of Perungolur.

203 of 1914.

- * Aditya I. The high regnal year will not suit any other Rajak. before Rajaraja I. Same donor in 224 of 1915-Parantaka I, Yr. 17. ARE. 1916 II 9.
- † Aditya I. Palaeographically pre-Parantaka. Kunavan Puttar is also mentioned in 103 of 1931, Rajak, n.d.
 - 1 Text has 2(7).

- Tiruccatturai (Tj.)—Gold for lamp by Tribhuvanamādēviyar Vayiri-akkanār, queen of the Coļa king and mother-in-law of Kāḍupaṭṭigaļ. 180 of 1931. *
- Tirunedungalam (Tri.)—Money for lamp. Refers to Pāṇḍya Varaguṇa Mahā(rāja.) Near this is another fragment of Maduraikoṇḍa Parakēsari. 696 of 1909.
- Tiruvilakkudi (Tj.)—Money by a merchant for sounding gong † in the temple. 133 of 1926.

^{*} cf. 100 of 1931.

[†] This purpose is not clear from the very damaged text though we have: itta seyakan..... alivu sola.

PARAKESARIVARMAN

Year 2.—Karuttaṭṭānguḍi (Tj.)—Mentions Viraśōlapperunderu in Tanjore. Agreement registering the sale of days (of worship) in three temples by two persons to a third.

49 of 1897; SII. v. 1412.

- " Kilūr (SA.)—Gift of 192 sheep for two lamps by Sembiyan Milādudaiyār. 271 of 1902; SII. vii. 900.
- ", Kilār (SA.)—(4)80 sheep for five lamps.
 281 of 1902; SII. vii. 910.
- ., Kumbaköṇam (Tj.)—Sheep for lamp by one of Udaiyār Vira-śōla-teriñja-kaikkōlar. 251 of 1911.
- " Paṇḍāravāḍai (Tj.)—Gift of thirty kāśu for a lamp by the wife of a merchant of Tribhuvana-mādēvip-pērangāḍi at Tanjāvūr. 274 of 1923.
- " Śrīrangam (Tri.)—Gift of 410 pon for feeding a Brahman (vēdam-vallān) at mid-day (uccippēdu) service to god Ranganātha. The number of dishes and other details prescribed. 73 of 1892; SII. iv. 520.
- " Tiruccenduzai (Tri.)—Twenty kalañju gold for lamp with paruḍai of Iśāna-mangalam. Weight viḍēl-viḍugu. The donor was Koḍumbāļūr Nakkan Vikramakēsariyār, the dēviyār of Tennavan Iļangōvēļ alias Maravan Pūdiyār. 306 of 1903.
- " Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—Gift of land, after its purchase from the temple for feeding four Brahmans, by Karrali-pattālakan of the Arumoli-dēva-terinja-kaikkölar.

144 of 1928.

" Tiruppalanam (Tj.)--Land given for five drummers for the temple by Araiyan Adittan Viman. *

162 of 1928.

* Perhaps father of Viman Kundavai, mother of Parantaka II. If so, the king was Arinjaya who had a short reign of not less than three years, ARE. 1928 Il 3, contra ARE. 1921 Il 26 where Viman Kundavai is connected with Calukya Bhima.

- Year 2.—Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—Land given by Araiyan Ādittan Viman for offerings during the ardhayāma and for lamp. 172 of 1928.
 - " Tiruvāduturai (Tj.)—Sale of land made tax-free by the assembly (sabhā) of Śāttanūr * to a member of the Ādittapanmat-terinda-kaikkōlar for the maintenance of a cocoanut and flower garden to the temple.

135 of 1925.

- " Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—Mentions the Śingaļāntakaterinda-kaikkōļar. † 244 of 1907.
- Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—Records the erection, by the Kaikköla-Perumbadai, of window, door, door-post and steps in front of the big mandana called Tigai-Ayirattaññūrruvar. 253 of 1907.
- Judaiyārgudi ‡ (SA.)—Gift of 96 sheep and a ram for lamp to Tiruvanantēśvarattāļvār of Vīranārāyaṇacatm., by Parāntakan Mādēvadigaļ alias Śembiyan Mādēviyār, the daughter of Maļavaraiyar and queen of Gaṇḍarādittan called here also Merkeļuṇḍaruļina-dēvar.

 540 of 1920.
- " *Udaiyārgudi* (SA.)—Gold for lamp by a member of the Kodandarāmat-terinja-kaikkolar. 545 of 1920.
- " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Aryan Gēyaviṭankan, one of the Tāyatongat-teriñja-kaikkölar, gave ten kāśu for cloths to Kūttar, to the south of the stone temple of Tiruvanantēśvarattālvar. He also built in the temple shrines to Kūttar, Gaṇapati and Piccar. 555 of 1920.
- " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Gold for lamp by the Parāntakatterinja-kaikkoļar on behalf of one of themselves.

574 of 1920.

" Udaiyūrgudi (SA.)—Gold for lamp by one of the Mūttavāļ-perra-kaikköļar. § 581 of 1920.

^{* 136} of 1925 is similar. † Also in 590 of 1920. (Uduiyargudi.)

[†] Near Kattumannarkoyil (Cidambaram Tq).

^{\$ 584} of 1920 is similar.

PARAKESARI

- Year 2.—Uḍaiyārguḍi (SA.)—Gold by Kōyil-perrāļ alias Vānavan-mādēviyār, danghter of Pūpāla-śēkariyār, for a lamp and mid-day offerings in the temple and for the sumptuous feeding, once a day, of one Brahman learned in the Vēda. 594 of 1920.
 - " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Gold, 12½ kalañju, by Paluvēṭṭaraiyan Kōdaṇḍan Tappili-dharmman for a lamp in the central shrine of the temple. 609 of 1920.
- Year 2+1,—Pullamangai * (Tj.)—The village assembly (sabhā) met in the maṇḍapa opposite to the Tiruvālandurai temple and sold $1\frac{1}{2}$ mũ of land to the temple of Kāļāpiḍāri of Naḍuvircēri for 25 kãśu and allowed it to be tax-free as before.

 549 of 1921.
 - ,, Tiruvīļimiļalai (Tj.)—Silver dish for srībali to temple by a certain Tānrönri-taniccēvagan, (tānrönri being the god's name.) 439 of 1908 †
- Year 3.—Ālambākkam (Tri.)—Land to Amarēśvara-Perumāļ at Dantivarma-mangalam by the sabhā of that village.

 720 of 1909.
 - ,, Allār (Tri.)—Land for lamp by Ganga-mādēviyār, wife of Vīrašūļa-Iļangōvēļār, on the occasion of her sati. ‡ 376 of 1903.
 - ,, Kiļaiyūr (Tj.)—Gold for supply of ghī on new moon days by a certain Tūppil Śattikumārabhaṭṭan residing at Viranārāyaṇac-cēri of Viranārāyaṇa-catm., § on the northern bank.

 92 of 1925.
 - " Kumbaköṇam (Tj.)—25 kalañju of gold for lamp by a native of Nedum-puraiyūr in Malai-nādu.

248 of 1911.

- ,, Paṇḍāravāḍai (Tj.)—Four mā of land to a learned Brahman who was doing pūja to Tirucceyalūr-perumāļ at Rājakēsari-catm. 252 of 1923.
- * Text gives Pasupati-köyil.
- † The king is said to be Vijayalaya in ARE. 1909 II 35.
- İ The text is: "Iļangoveļār-deviyār Gangamādeviyār-tippāykingār-kuduttadu."
 - § After Parantaka 1? ARE. 1925 II 10.

Year 3.—Siyamangalam (NA.)—Land. Mentions Gangarāja with surnames Ganga-cūļāmaņi * and Mummaḍi-śōļac-cembi-yan-śrigangaraiyar, who was governing Palkunga-kōṭṭam, Venkunga-kōṭṭam and Śingapura-nāḍu, (portions of modern N. and S. Arcot.)

69 of 1900; SII. vii. 73.

" Titlaisthānam (Tj.)—Thirty kaļañju of gold for a lamp by Mullūr-nangai, † mother-in-law of the king. The gold was left with the sabhā and the Pūdamūlattār.

45 of 1895; SII. v. 602.

" Tirakköl (NA.).—Sheep for ghī to the Jaina temple (paṭṭi) at Taṇḍapuram by Eranandi alias Naratonga Pallavaraiyan, a native of Nelvēli in Nelvēli-nāḍu of Tenkarai-Panaiyūr-nāḍu in the Śōṭa-maṇḍalam.

276 of 1916.

- " Tiruccatturai (Tj.)—Thirty kalanju of gold for a lamp by Mullūr-nangai, mother of queen Śōla-mādēviyār. ‡ 169 of 1931.
- " Tirumalavāḍi (Tri.)—Land by purchase for lamp by Ariōjigaikēṇi daughter of Mūtta Udaiyār. 8 of 1920.
- Tirunāmanallūr (SA.)—Land reclaimed for temple of Tiruthoṇḍiśvaram by Vikramābharaṇa Pallavaraiyan under orders of Munaiyadaraiyar Aparāyitan Kulamāṇikkerumānār. 369 of 1902; SII. vii. 999.
- " Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—Thirty kalanju of gold for lamp by Mullūr-nangai. 125 of 1895; SII. v 689.
- " Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—Thirty kalañju of gold by Nakkan Ariñjigai alias Parantaka Pallavaraiyan for a lamp to be maintained in the temple by the Nagarattar of the village.

 165 of 1928.
- * Ganga-cūjāmaṇi was a surname of Mārasimha II (E.I. v p. 177). But, as it is not likely that he ruled in Pallava country as a Cōja feudatory, this chief was perhaps related to the local Ganga chiefs Sankaradēva and Sōmanāthadēva of the Tiruvallam records of Rājarāja I and Rājēndra I-ARE. 1900, paragraph 18.
 - † See also under Tiruccatturai and Tiruppalanam.
 - 1 107 of 1931 (Tiruppundurutti) is similar.

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Year 3.—Tiruvāduturai (Tj.)—The boundary (of the land?) purchased from the assembly of Śirupuliyūr by the ūr of Karai-nalūr in Pērāvūr-nāḍu.

107 of 1925.

" Tiruvaiyāru (Tj.)—Land for three lamps. Nandāviļakku iravum pagalum-erivadarku.

234 of 1894; SII. v. 533.

- " Tiruvāmāttūr (SA.)—Twenty kaļañju gold for two lamps by Śembiyan Kaṭṭimānaḍigaļ who built the Tiruccurru-maṇḍapam, the gold being left in charge of the sabhā, and ūr of the place.

 403 of 1903.
- ", Tiruvāmāttūr (SA.)—Ten pon for lamp by Muṭṭanāṭṭuk-karpūṇḍi-nāḍuḍaiya Parabhūmikan Mallan alias Gaṇḍarāditta Pallavaraiyan. * Sabhaiyum ūrum dēva-kanmigaļum to protect the gift.

425 of 1903 †; SII. iii. 95.

- " Tiruvaṇṇāmalai (NA.)—Gold for lamp by the Cera queen Kiļānadigaļ. 470 of 1902; SII. viii. 58.
- " Tiruvēdikkudi (Tj.)—Thirty kaļañju gold for lamp in the temple of Parakēsari-purattu-mahādēva, left with the Parakēsaripurattu-nagarattār.

66 of 1895; SII. v. 623.

- " Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—A silver kalašam by a native of Pāṇḍi-nāḍu. 247 of 1907.
- " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Gold for lamp by a Brahman of Panditavatsalac-cēri. ‡ 556 of 1920.
- " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Land for akkāra-adiyal to god. 582 of 1920.
- " *Udaiyārguḍi* (SA.)—Gold by Pañcavan-mahādēvi, wife of Araiyan Mahimālaya *alias* Parāntaka Muttaraiyan,
- * If this man was an officer of Gandaraditya, the inscription must be one of Parantaka I. H. K. Sastri.
- † 426 of 1903 is a similar gift by the same donor, which mentions no king but is dated S. 8(7)9. A few years after Takkolam, this falls in Gandaraditya's reign, who must been have a Parakesari according to the large Leyden grant. ARE. 1904 paragraph, 20.
 - ‡ Evidently so called after Parantaka I. Same seri in 559 of 1920.

- for a lamp to Candrasekhara-perumāl in the Anantesvara temple. 602 of 1920.
- Year 3.—Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—The supervisor of temple affairs for the year distributed the temple lands among the temple servants in proportion to the services rendered by them.

 605 of 1920.
- Year 4.—Kāncīpuram (Ch.)—The sabhā of Kalladuppūr raised a loan from the temple of 20 kalaūju by Kaccipēṭṭuāṇikkal; the interest on the loan was 90 kāḍi of paddy per annum which was to be taken and measured out in the premises of the temple by the ūramai-seyyum vāriyap-perumakkal.

 SII. i. 85. *
 - " Kilappaluvūr (Tri.)—Lamp to temple by the dēviyār of a Paluvēṭṭaraiyar, who was the daughter of varaiyar. 222 of 1926.
 - " Mēlappaļuvūr (Tri.)—Gold for lamp. The sixteenth year of Parakēsari Uttama Cōļa is quoted and Aḍigaļ Paļuvēṭṭaraiyar mentioned. 373 of 1924.
 - "Nangavaram (Tri.)—Land to two trumpet-blowers of of the Sundarěsvara temple in the village called here Arinjigai-catm. † 303 of 1903.
 - " Tirthamalai (Sm.)—Gold for lamp. Mentions queen of Mummudi-śōla-perumāl. The temple is called Kūda-lālvār. 673 of 1905.
 - " Tiruccendurai (Tri.)—Gold by Pūdi Āditta Piḍāri. 312 of 1903.
 - " Tirumalai (NA.)—Four kalañju gold for feeding one adigal in the palli on the Tirumalai.

66 of 1907 ‡; SII. iii. 97.

- " Tirumaṇañjēri (Tj.)—Gift of 96 sheep for a lamp, of a lamp-stand, and of the stone on which the inscription is
- Perhaps of Vijayalaya- SII. iii p. 17 #. 4.
- † Called also Nangai-Brahmadëya in Rājagambhīra Vaļa-nādu (334 of 1903 of year 34 of Konērinmaikondān.)
- ‡ The earliest Cola inscription in this locality; it shows that the Jaina settlement on the hill is older than the time of Rajaraja I, ARE. 1908 II, 51.

engraved by a *pendātṭi* attached to the (royal?) kitchen at Tañjāvūr. 11 of 1914.

- Year 4.—Tiruvāmāttūr (SA.)—Lamp by Kaṇḍarādittan alias . . . Mahārājan of Vāṇagappāḍi. 404 of 1903.

 - ,, Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—A gold hand (hastaka) set with precious stones. Gift by a merchant.

198 of 1907.

- man (kiļān) of Ārkkādu. 124 of 1926.
- " Tiruvišalūr (Tj.)—100 sheep for lamp by Nakkan Arinjigai alias Pirantaka Pallavaraiyan. 18 of 1907.
- " Vēļaccēri (Ch.)—Land for lamp and offerings to Kāļābhaṭāri given by the sabhā of the village.

317 of 1911.

- Year 5.—Ālambākkam (Tri.)—Land to Amarēśvara-perumāļ.

 Mārpiḍugēri and sale by sabhā of Dantivarmamangalam mentioned. 715 of 1909. *
 - ,, Kilūr (SA.)—Gold, 15 kaļañju, for lamp by queen of Vāṇakôvaraiyar, called Ilāḍaigaļ magaļār Nangai Kulamāṇikkattār. Interest rate was kaļañjin-vāyt-tingaļ urip-paḍi.
 299 of 1902; EI. vii. 141.
 - " Pūvāļakkudi (Pd.)—Construction of the maṇḍapa. 147 of 1907. Pd. 42.
 - " Salem. (Sm.)—Year described as 'Tiruveluttituc-cellāningayāndu aiñjāvadu.' The sabhā of Rājarājāśrayacatm. accepted an endowment of five kaļañju gold for a lamp. 43 of 1888; SII. iv. 141.
 - " Siyamangalam (NA.)—Land by purchase from ur by an inhabitant of the Pandya country to Tirukkangali-
 - * ARE, 1910 II 14.

mahādēvar at Śiyamangalam in Tennārrūr-nādu, a sub-division of Palkunra-köţţam in Jayangondaśölamandalam. 60 of 1900; SII. vii. 64.

Year 5.—Takkōlam (NA.)—90 sheep for lamp. "Iccirikōyilārāyvōmum padi(yum) (p)ādamūlattōmum Takkōlattil nagarattōmum" take charge of them.

60 of 1897; SII. v. 1369.

- " Tiruccatturai (Tj.)—Gold for lamp (by the queen of) the Pandya king Pirantakan. 133 of 1931.
- " Tiruccengāṭṭanguḍi (Tj.)—Land for two lamps by the assembly of Marugal in lieu of money (pon) taken from a certain Viraśōlan alias Uttamaśōla-nenmalināṭṭu-mūvēnda-vēlān. 60 of 1913.
- " Tirukkaļāvūr (Tj.)—Land. Iļakkāšu mentioned. The donor was Śingan Kaliyan alias Uttamašõļa-müvendavēļān of Kommaipākkam. 46 of 1910.
- " Tiruvēngavāśal (Pd.)—(Verse). Lamp by a native of Malanādu. 239 of 1914.
- Year 6.—Kilappaluvūr (Tri.)—Gold, 1½ kalañju and paddy, three kalam, as korru to Alayūre-cākkai for enacting three scenes of the Śākkaik-kūttu on the Aśvati day of the festival in Arpaśi at Tiruvālandurai-nallūr.

250 of 1926.

" Kuḍumiyāmalai (Pd.)—The cows donated to the temple for lamps could not be protected from robbers by the temple authorities and were sold for gold.

315 of 1904; Pd. 44.

- ,, Kudumiyāmalai (Pd.)—Gold for lamp by Varaguņanāṭṭī, daughter of Muttaraiyar * and queen of Śembiyan Irukkuvēļār. 337 of 1904; Pd. 45.
- " Pullamangai (Tj.)—Land to temple for morning service by Śembiyan Mahāvali Vāṇarāyar. 559 of 1921.
- * Videlvidugu-muttaraiyar. Irukkuvel was the same as Vikramakesari (ARE, 1908 p. 88) the contemporary of Aditya II-K. V. S. Aiyar El. xiii. p. 138.

- Year 6.—Śömūr (Tri.)—Gold, 2½ kalañju, for lamp by Pirantakan Puruṣöttaman of the Danatongat * - teriñja kaikkölar. 208 of 1917.
 - , Tillaisthanam (Tj.)—Gold, 83 pon (kalanju), for two lamps by an uvaccan of the temple (ittali).

27 of 1895; SII. v. 584.

" Tillaisthänam (Tj.)—Gold, 25 kalañju, for lamp deposited with the sabhā and ùr.

47 of 1895; SII. v. 604.

- Tirumalavāḍi (Tri.)—Sheep for lamp by Kāman Tāyan, a teacher (vātti) of Iḍaiyāru. 17 of 1920.
- " Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—Gold, 30 kalanju, for lamp by Tippānja-alagiyān Maravan. The sabhā of Aniyamangalam invested it in buying 6 mā of land.

148 of 1928.

- " Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—Lamp, and 25 kalañju for its maintenance, by a servant of the headman of Karugāvūr. 153 of 1928.
- ", Tiruppārkkadal (NA.)—Gold for lamp. The supervision of the charity was vested in the annual tank supervision committee. 685 of 1904.
- ,, Tiruvāmāttūr (SA.)—Refers to the mason Arugūrttaccan Nārāyaṇan Vaikundan who built the temple (Abhirāmēśvara). 413 of 1903.
- " Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—Record of an iraiyili-ölai given by sabhā of Tiraimūr, nagaram of Tiruvidaimarudil and others. 219 of 1907.
- " Tiruvilakkudi (Tj.)—Land, after being purchased taxfree from the assembly of Videlvidugu-catm., given for lamp to Küttapperumāļ in Tiruvilakkudi in the same place. 121 of 1926.

^{*}Was this a surname of Parantaka I? Somur has Parantaka's records. The Kongudzsarājākkai attributes the conquest of Kongu to Aditya I and Parantaka does not claim to have conquered it. ARE. 1918 II 22.

- Year 6.—Tiruvilimilalai (Tj.)—Gold for feeding four Brahmans given by Amarabhujangan Muppuli alias Gandaraganda-Pallavaraiyan. 436 of 1908.*
- Year 7.—Pullamangai (Tj.)—Great assembly of Pullamangalam sold 1½ mã of land for an endowment in the temple by Āridan Māranārāyaṇan.

 551 of 1921.
 - " Siddhalingamadam (SA.)—Money for two lamps by a female servant of Varagūr-kōṭṭamuḍaiyān.

422 of 1909.

" Tillaisthanam (Tj.)—Sheep for lamp left with the sabha and ūr of Tiruneyttanam.

28 of 1895; SII. v. 585.

- " Tiruppārkaḍal (NA.)—Sabhā accepts an endowment for offerings and places it under control of the annual tank-committee. The corpus was apparently used for repairing a breach in the tank-bund. 688 of 1904.
- ,, Tiruvāduturai (Tj.)—Sale of land, tax-free, to temple by the assembly of Śāttanūr for 15 kāśu endowed to the temple for the sacred bath of the deity at Uttarāyaņa Sankrānti by Ōmāśi Orriyūran Kūttan of Tiruvānaikkā, a dēvadāna-brahmadēya in Kiļiyūr-nādu.

127 of 1925.

" Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—Building of the temple mentioned. Land for a person singing dēśi.

233, 234 of 1907.

- " Tiruviļakkuļi (Tj.)—Sale of land to revenue officers (puravu-vari tiņaik-kaļattār) by the assembly of Vidēļviļugu-catm. 135 of 1926.
- " Tiruvorriyūr (Ch.)—30 kaļanju of ūrkkar-cemmai pon for lamp deposited with the sabhā of Maṇali near Tiruvorriyūr (Tiruvorriyūrp-purattu Maṇali-sabhai-yōm).

 402 of 1896; SII. v. 1357, same as 165 of 1912.

• This, like some other records, is on a pillar in a minor shrine in a temple which bears only later Cola records. The pillars were evidently secured from an older structure. Vijayalaya? ARE. 1909 II 35.

- Year 8.—Kilappaluvūr (Tri.)—Twelve sheep by Kāman Köviyār, wife of Paluvēṭṭaraiyar Vikramādityar, for one pidi of ghī daily to the temple. 237 of 1926.*
 - " Paṇḍāravāḍai (Tj.) Tax-free land by madhyastha for music by five persons during śrībali every day.

272 of 1923.

" Sendalai (Tj.)—Details of the expenditure of paddy got annually from the devadana village Pungagai.

204 of 1926.

" Tillaisthänam (Tj.)—Thirty kalañju of gold for lamp by Pāṇḍiyanār Mānābharaṇa-dēvi.... kilavan.

26 of 1895; SII. v. 583.

- Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—90 sheep for lamp by a native of Nandipuram alias Ayirattali. 145 of 1928.
- " Tiruppalātturai (Tri.)—Gold for lamp. The village is called Tiruppārrurai in Uttamašili-catm. a brahmadēya in Tenkarai. 173 of 1907.
- Tiruppalātturai (Tri.)—A copy of an inscription of the 18th year of Madiraikonda Parakēsari and of another of the same king, twentieth year. Among the boundaries occur names: Viraśrikāmuka-vadi; Ādicca Vāykkāl; Ködandarāma-vadi; Uttamaśili-Vāykkāl. The Perunguri sabhā of Uttamaśili-catm., ordered the reengraving of the records found on the older śrīvimāna.

174 of 1907; SII. iii. 133. †

" Tiruvellarai (Tri.)—Twenty kalañju of gold by the queen of Udaiyār-Ānaimērrunjinār (Rājāditya) called Îrāyirandēvi-ammanār, to Śri-Kṛṣṇa and Rukmiṇi ‡ of the big temple at Tiruvellarai.

534 of 1905; SII. iii. 132.

^{*} Was the king Uttama Cola? ARE. 1926 II 20.

[†] The king may be Ariñjaya, or Āditya II or Uttama Cōja; probably the last, H. K. Sastri.

[‡] Record of Uttama Cola or Aditya II- H. K. Sastri. Earliest epigraphical reference to Kṛṣṇa worship in the Tamil country. ARE. 1906 II 21.

- Year 9.—Erumur (SA.)—Ten kalanju of tulai pon paid to the village assembly for remission of dues on seven mā of 393 of 1913. land presented to the temple.
 - Kāmarasavalli (Tri.)—Land for śribali and tirupallielicci. Mentions Kodandarāma-Vāykkāl.

78 of 1914.

Kilappaluvūr (Tri.)—Malavar Konkani Senni Nambiyār, uncle (māmadi) of Adigal Paluvēttaraiyar Maravan-Kandanār, made a gift of land by purchase for a lamp in the temple of Maravaniśvara-grhattu Mahādēva. *

219 of 1926.

- Kilappaluvür (Tri.)—Paluvēttaraiyar Maravan-Kandanār purchased land and assigned portions to several persons for service and for lamp before Maravaniśvarattumahādēva. 249 of 1926. †
- Kuhūr (Tj.)—25 kāśu for lamp to Ādittēśvaram-udaiya Bhattarakar by a certain Astrasiva with the tiruvunnāligaip-perumakkaļ of the temple. 292 of 1917 t
- Pandāravādai (Tj.)—Land for expenses on Sankrānti ** days and 108 copper water pots for bath by the queen-mother (Udaiya-pîrățțiyar) on behalf of prince Gandarādittan Madhurāntakan Uttama Cola. §

250 of 1923.

- Tiruccengödu (Sm.)-Gold for feeding Brahmans by a native of Irodu. 636 of 1905.
- Tiruppalātturai (Tri.)—An exchange of land, by the sabhā of Uttamaśili-catm. Mentions an image of Süryadēva in the temple at Tiruppārrurai.

177 of 1907.

- * cf. Sambandar on Paluvur, esp. v 11, on Malabar Brahmans worshipping here, ARE. 1926 II 9.
 - + Parak, identified with Uttama Cola ARE. 1926 II 19.
 - I Record of Parantaka I whose father was Aditya. ARE 1918 II 22.
- § This makes it a record of Uttama Cola ARE. 1924 Il 13 (where Sembiyan Mahadevi's charities for Uttama in the reign of Rajaraja are referred to in support of the identity.)

- Year 9.—*Tiruvādi* (SA.)—Gold for *ghī* to seven temples:

 Tiruvīraṭṭānam, Tiruvāraṇavāsi, Tirunāgīśvaram,

 Tiruvagattīśvaram, Tiruvāgīśvaram,

 Tiruppalanījūḍu.

 368 of 1921.
 - " Tiruveļļagai (Tri.)—Gold, 25 kaļanju, for lamp by a native of Idaikkādu who was a royal officer called Kumaran-kon. 524 of 1905.
- Year 10.—Andanallür (Tri.)—Gold for lamp by Puliyürnäṭṭu-aḍigaļ, queen of Śēmbiyan Irukkuvēļ alias Pūdi Parāntakan. 348 of 1903.
 - " Karuttaţţānguḍi (Tj.)—Images of two door-keepers set up by Śembārkkōṭṭattu Paṭṭina-nāṭṭup-paḷam-paṭṭinattu irukkum veḷḷāṭṭi Aruṇilimalaip-pirāṭṭi.

51 of 1897; SII. v. 1414.

" Kilappaluvūr (Tri.)—90 sheep by nāṭṭār of Kungakuggam for lamp to Magavaniśvaram-udaiyār.

217 of 1926.

" Kiliyanūr (SA.)—Provision for offerings on new moon days by one of the *āļungaṇam* of the village.

148 of 1919.

- " Kudumiyāmalai (Pd.)—Gold for lamp by the queen of Śembiyan Irukkuvėl. 321 of 1904.
- " Tillaisthānam (Tj.)—When a person described as Viļattūr-nāṭṭuk-kōn enquired into the affairs of the temple (ivvūr śrīkāryam-ārāyāniṛka), those who were doing nagaravāriyam in this place (ivvūr) agreed to maintain a perpetual lamp from the proceeds of angāḍikkūti collected by the ūr-āḍvārgaļ.

40 of 1895; SII. v. 597.

- " Tiruccatturai (Tj.)—Gold by Śembiyan Buvanigangaraiyan alias Alivin Kallarasi for a lamp Kumaramārttāṇḍan. 177 of 1931 *
- " Tiruccendurai (Tri.)—Sale of land to Nangai Pūdi Āditta-paḍāri by paruḍai for 7½ kalañju by viḍēlviḍugu-kal. 309 of 1903.

^{*} ARE, 1931 II. 8.

- Year 10,—Tiruccendurai (Tri.)—Gold by Pūdi Ādicca Piḍāri. 311, 314 of 1903. *
 - " Tirumalavādi (Tri.)—Silver salver (pingāļam) for betel offerings to Tirumalavādi Udaiyār by Nakkan Tillaiyaļagiyār alias Šõļa-mādēviyār. Weight called vaiyagattār-kal mentioned. 1 of 1920.
 - " Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—Lamp by Tennavan Mādēviyār, queen of Rājakēsari. 166 of 1928.
 - ,, Tiruppurambiyam (Tj.)—45 sheep for half a lamp.
 76 of 1897; SII. vi. 25.
 - " Tiruveņkādu (Tj.)—25 kaļañju of gold for lamp by Śadirayan Uttamaśiliyār wife of Vannādudaiyār.

482 of 1918.

- from the sabhā of Tiruveṇṇainallūr by Aparāyitan
 Uttamaśōla Mārāyan.

 429 of 1921.
- " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Twenty Ilakkāśu by Śembiyan Mūvēndavēļān for lamp. 554 of 1920.
- "
 Udaiyārguḍi (SA.)—Gold for land for feeding five Brahmans in the temple at mid-day; the donor was Nandi-pūttān alias Śembiyan Mūvēndavēļān. Mentions tālam and vaṭṭil, five of each.

 593 of 1920.
- Jyyakkondān Tirumalai (Tri.)—140 sheep for two lamps (90 and 50) by Viranārāyanan alias Śembiyan-mārāyan, a perundanam of Vira-śöla-Ilangövēlār of Kodumbālūr, to the temple of Karkudi † in Nandivanma-mangalam. ‡ 470 of 1908; SII. iii. 98.
- Year 11.—Ālambākkam (Tri.)—Land for lamp by a member of the āļungaņam of Dantivarma-mangalam. Mentions Mārpidugēri in Dantivarma-mangalam.

711 of 1909.

- * 315 of 1903 n-d. records lamps by Sembiyan Ilangovēl alias Pūdi Āditta Pidāran.
 - † Ancient Devaram name for Uyyakkondan Tirumalai-H. K Sastri.
- ‡ In the 10th year of Rājarāja I this name was changed into Rājāśrayacatm. For Viraíðla Ilangovēl, see 323 of 1903-ARE. 1909 II 37.

- Year 11.—Andanallür (Tri.)—Sembiyan Irukkuvõl alias Püdi Paräntaka built the stone temple (Vaṭatīrthanātha) and granted land to it with the permission of Parakēsari. This land was made the kāṇi of Araiyan Vīrašõļan by order of king in year 18. 359 of 1903.*
 - ,, Paṇḍāravāḍai (Tj.)—Lamp by one of the Madhurāntakatteriñja-kaikkōļar. 240 of 1923. †
 - " Tiruccattugai (Tj.)—Sheep for lamp by Cēdi-mahādēviyār, queen of the Malāḍu chief ‡ Siddhavaḍattadigaļ. 193 of 1931.
 - Tiruccengāṭṭanguḍi (Tj.)—Land sold by the assembly of Marugal for the endowment of a lamp. 62 of 1913.
 - by Prithivi-gangaraiyar, § son of Mahādēva of Pangaļanādu. 139 of 1928.
 - " Tiruvidaimarudār (Tj.)—Gift of 18 eating vessels (tālam) weighing altogether 262½ palam and a large spoon (salļuvam) weighing 5 palam for feeding Brahmans in the local śālai—Tiruvidaimarudu-Udaiyār-śālai--uṇnum-pirāmaṇarkku.

150 of 1895, SII, v. 714.

- " *Udaiyārgudi* (SA.)—Land for lamp by a lady, Nakkan Piratamādēvi *alias* Mummudi-śōlat-talaik-kōli, daughter of Ārūrdēvanār. ¶ 563 of 1920.
- Year 12—Kilaiyār (Tj.)—Remission of taxes by the big assembly of Tirnvalundūr on land given for a flower-garden by Kaṇṇan Mallan *aluas* Udayamāttāṇḍa Mūvēndavēļār, headman of Nāgan-kuḍi in Ambar-nāḍu.

94 of 1925.

^{*} cf. 360 of year 25.

[†] Must be a record of Uttama Cola ARE, 1924 H 13,

[‡] EI, vii, p. 135, for a Narasimhavarman (of the time of Kannaradëva) who had the title Siddhavaṭṭatṭaḍigaļ.

[§] cf. 177 of Rajak. 2(6).

^{¶ 485} of 1918 (n-d) from Tiruveņkādu mentlons a lady Ārūran Ambalattā-digal.

Year 12.—*Kūļappaluvūr* (Tri.)—180 sheep for two lamps by Adigaļ Paluvēṭṭaraiyar Kaṇḍan Sundara Śōlaṇār.

120 of 1895; SII. v. 681.

- "Nangavaram (Tri.)—Lökavidyädhara Brahmädhiräjan reclaimed some land and presented it to the goddess Umä-bhaṭṭāraki with the previous permission of the sabhā.

 332 of 1903.
- Pallikoṇḍa (NA.)—Agreement by the assembly of Nandikampa-catm. to remove silt from the tank every year to the extent of 20 kuļi with the interest on an endowment by a resident of Iraiyānśēri in Kaccippēdu.

 474 of 1925.
- " Šendalai (Tj.)—Mentions Paļļiyudaiya Kanakasēnabhatāra, probably a Jaina. 7 of 1899; SII. vi. 443.
- " Tirakkāl (NA.)—Paddy to Kanavīra-šittadigal. Mentions Šembiyan Šembottilādanār, son of Vidēl-vidugu Šembottilādanār, alias Gaņaperumānār.

279 of 1916.

- ,, Tiruccengōdu (Sm.)—Gold for feeding Brahmans. 628 of 1905.
- " Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—Gift to temple by Pūdi Kūttan of Māramangalam. 147 of 1928.
- " Udaiyargudi (SA.)—500 kalañju gold. Image of Süryadeva set up by Kundavaiyār * who made a gift of gold, 25 kalañju. for a lamp in front of it. 606 of 1920.
- Viddhācalam (SA.)—Śrīkōyil, snapana-mandapa, gōpura, sārrālai and minor shrines constructed by Śembiyan Mādēviyār, mother of Śrī Uttama Cōļa, daughter of Malaperumāna·ligal, and queen of Gandarāditta-dēvar, son of Parāntaka-dēva alias Periyaśōlanār; gift of gold ornaments and silver vessels to the temple by Udaiya Pirāṭṭiyār.

 47 of 1918. †
- " Vrddhācalam (SA.)—45 sheep for half a lamp to Sūryadēva of Tirumudukungam. 56 of 1918.
- * This name makes the inscription a record of the reign of Rajaraja I.
- † A record of Uttama Cola.

- Year 13—Aṇḍanallūr (Tri.)—Gold 30 pon for lamp by Tingalnimmaḍigal, queen of Śembiyan Irukkuvēļār, invested with the ūr. 357 of 1903.
 - " Mēlappaļuvūr (Tri.)—Gift of an image of Gaņapati, a pedestal, and a golden flower by the temple manager Nāvalūruḍaiyān Kaṇḍan Tēvaḍi to the temple with the permission of Aḍigal Paluvēṭṭaraiyar Kaṇḍan Sundara Śōlan.

 381 of 1924.
 - " Nängupa!!i (Pd.)—Refers to Virasolan Uttamasilan.

341 of 1914.

- " Tirukkurugāvār (Tj.)—Land by Šemban Arnļan Uttamanīdi alias Uttamašöļa Mūvēndavēļān * to nine persons for beating drums in the temple of Tiruveļļadai-Mahādēva at Tirukkurugāvūr. 434 of 1918.
- " Tirupplanum (Tj.)—Land to temple by Pūdi Kūttan of Mangalam in Nallūr-nāḍu. The king † was staying at Palaiyāru. 141 of 1928.
- " Uyyukkoudān Tirumalai (Tri.)—90 sheep for lamp by a Brahman woman. 471 of 1908. ‡
- ,, Vṛddhācalam (SA.)—Dry land to Sūryadēva by residents of Negkuppai; converted into wet land later.

 59 of 1918.
- Year 14—Āttār (Sm.)—Paddy to Tirumērraļi Nakkar at Malaiyamānāru, a brahmadēya in Ārrūr-kūrram in Milādu, by three servants of that temple. 407 of 1913.
 - " Kudumiyāmalai (Pd.)—Gold for feeding 15 Śaivas for seven days during the Māśi Makham festival of Tirumēggaļip-perumāņadigaļ at Tirumilakkungam, a dēvadāna in Kungiyūr-nādu. 334 of 1904.
 - ,, Parandār (Ch.)—A transaction of the sabhā of Aparājita-catm. in Purišai-nāṭṭnp-perundarappuram.

 Mentions sabhai-vāriyam and ēri-vāriyam.

74 of 1923.

^{*} cf. 433 of 1918 (Year 15)

[†] Identified with Uttama Cola-ARE. 1928 II 3.

[‡] Earlier than 472 of 1908 of year 2 of Parakësari who took Vira Pandya's head which is below this. cf. 470 of 1908 of Parak. 10- ARE. 1909 Il 37.

Year 14.—Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Provision by Madhurāntakan Gaņḍarādittar for bathing the image of the deity every month with 108 pots of honey, ghī, curd etc.

280 of 1906.

- " Tirunedungalam (Tri.)—Ghī for agnikārya * thrice a day. Gift made by one Gōvinda Bhaṭṭa who was enquiring into temple affairs on behalf of Uttama Cōla Brahmādhirāja-kanmi Sembiyan Vaḍapuraiyūr-nāṭṭu-Mūvēndavēļān. 684 of 1909; SII. iii. 140.
- " Tururaiyāru (Tj.)—90 sheep for lamp by Paluvēţţaraiyan Kaṇḍan Amudan. 252 of 1894; SII. v. 551.
- "Tiruvāttūr (NA.)—A defaulter tracked by the tiruvunnāligai of the temple and made to pay for a lamp to be maintained by him.

102 of 1900; SII. vii. 112.

- " Tiruvõttür (NA.)—Sheep lost in a raid (sūrai) and 200 fresh ones given by Udaiyār Sembiyan Mahādēvi for two lamps. 104 of 1900; SII. vii. 114.
- " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Gift of some tank-irrigated laud, by purchase, by Kāļi-karraļi, one of the Udaiyār-Karikāla †-śōlatteriñja-kaikköļar to seven musicians (uvaccar) for conducting the śrībali to Tirumuļļūr-udaiya Paramēśvara of Tirumuļļūr alias Simhaviṣṇu-catm., a brahmadēya of the Kā-nāḍu. 617 of 1920.
- Year 15—Andanallūr (Tri.)—Land for lamp by Pūdi-Mādēvadigaļ, queen of Kannaradēva. 356 of 1903.
 - "Kāncipuram (Ch.)—Sale of land by Mānagarattār; temple called Terkirunda-nakkar. Mentions Karikālaśolap-pillai(yār) in the above temple at Kadumbidugu-mērkāppu in the city.

 1 of 1906.

^{*} Agnikārya—not aupāsana; hence there was no goddess in the temple ARE. 1910 II. 18.

[†] This must be Aditya II; hence the king of this record may be Uttama Cola. ARE. 1921 II 29.

- Year 15.—Kāncipuram (Ch.)—Land by purchase from the merchants of Kāncipuram by Āccan Śenāccan of the Mūttavālperra-kaikkoļar for offerings to Karikālappiļļaiyār in the temple of Terkirunda-nakkar in the western block of Kadumbidugu in Kānci; and gift of three kāsu for lamp in that temple. 84 of 1921.
 - " Kilappaluvūr (Tri.)—Sheep for ghi. Mentions Paluvēṭṭaraiyar Maravan Kaṇḍan as having built the temple (Vaṭamūlēśvara). * 245 of 1926.
 - "Kudumiyāmalai (Pd.)—Gold for lamp by a native of Malai-nādu. 328 of 1904.
 - " Māmandār (Ch.)—45½ śāvā-māvāp-pērāḍu (sheep) for ½ lamp by two persons contributing equal shares.

 The half lamp was to burn by day before Vāliśvaram-Udaiyār of Narasimha-mangalam.

40 of 1888; SII. iv. 138.

- Mēlappaļuvār (Tri.)—Land in Urattūr as janmabhāmi to Vēngadavan Arangan alias Šembiyan Viraināṭṭuk-kōnār by the assembly of Kunrak-kūrram, under orders of Paluvēṭṭaraiyan Kaṇḍan Maravan, with the condition that the donee should pay 25 tālaccemmai-pon annually as fixed assessment (nilaiyirai) on the land.

 356 of 1924.
- with the assembly of Arikulakësari-catm.

46 of 1918. †

Year 15, day 143.—*Uttaramērār* (Ch.)—Land to Tiruvayödhyai Perumāṇadigaļ. The Mahāsabhā took pūrvācāram and assigned to the god as *iṣaiyili* all the *iṣai* land in Pūngōdai-pūṇḍi saying: "kuḍigaļai veṭṭiyum amañji-yum iṣaiyum eppērppaṭṭidum koḷḷappeṣādōmāgavum."

14 of 1898; SII. vi. 297.

 $^{^{\}circ}$ cf. 219, 249 of year 9. King identified as Uttama Cola in ARE. 1926 II, 19.

[†] Either Parantaka I or Uttama Cola ARE. 1918 II 22.

- Year 16.—Kilappaluvūr (Tri.)—Land as devadāna (for offerings) by a private person. 244 of 1926.
 - Kiliyanür (SA.)—Mahāsabhā of Kilinalür agree to make farmers contribute to annual repairs of a tank named after a person who gave money for the same purpose. 160 of 1919.

- Kudumiyāmalai (Pd.)—Gold for lamp by a native of 350 of 1904. Malai-nādu.
- Lālgudi (Tri.)—Gold by Kökkiļānadigaļ, daughter of 111 of 1929. Śēramānār, * for lamps.
- Tirukkaļāvūr (Tj.)-Land as igaiyili to Mahādēva by the Mülaparudaip-perumakkal of Tirukkarugāvūr.

35 of 1910 : SII. iii. 123 †

- Tiruttani -(NA.)—Sale of land by assembly Tiruttaniyai. 438 of 1905.
- Tiruverumbür (Tri.)—Land for ardluyāma offerings by the ur of the village. 128 of 1914.
- Ukkul (NA.)-Land to temple. Nilam figures as unit The gift was made to Bhuvanaof land-measurement. mānikka-visnugrha by the Mahāsabhā, including the samvatsara-vāriya and the ēri-vāriyap-perumakkaļ at the request (vinnappam) of Cakrapani-nambi who was doing śrikāryam for Perumān-adigaļ.

28 of 1893; SII. iii. 11. ‡

- Uraiyūr (Tri.)—Provision for daily requirements of Tiruva laitalai-perumal at Uraiyur. 183 of 1907.
- Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Land by two rāniyar, and gold for its reclamation; two batches of 80 and 20 Brahmans were to be fed for merit of the donors' uncle in the 621 of 1920. choultry erected by them.
- Queen of Parantaka I ARE: 1929 II 27.
- † Uttama Cola or Parantaka I-H.K. Sastri.
- I Hultzsch identifies the king with Vijayalaya on account of the absence of distinguishing surnames. SII. i. 85, 148; and in 12 (Introd).

- Year 16.—Valappuranadu (Sm.)—Pirāntakan Mādēvadigaļ alias Sembiyan Mādēviyār, mother of Gaṇḍan Madurāntakan alias Uttama Cōļa, deposited 100 kaļañju of gold with the ūrār of some villages in Kollimalai-nāḍu, the ūrār agreeing to pay monthly interest to the sabhā who were to dispose of it in the manner laid down.
 - " Vṛddhācalam (SA.)—Land and cooking utensils to Tirumudukungam-uḍaiyār for offerings in the evening by Irungōnār Nāraṇan Piritipatiyār. 51 of 1918.
- Year 16, day 33—Uttaramērār (Ch.)—Land as iraiyili to Śrikurukṣētrattup-perumānadigal for tiruccennadai after taking pūrvāeārum. 34 of 1898; SII. vi. 317.
 - , day 257—Uttaramērār (Ch.)—Land to the temple of Mahādēva in the neighbouring village of Tīṭṭāttūr for tirucrennaḍai by the Mahāsabhā of Uttaramērūr: 'Pūrvācāran-goṇḍu iraiyiliyāga vaitta bhūmiyāvadu'. 4 of 1898; SH, vi. 286.
- Year 20—Kuttālam (Tin.)—(Valleļultu)—Cows and sheep for lamps.

 444 of 1917.
 - " Tiruttangal (Rd.)—(Vaṭṭeṭuttu)—31 cows for lamp to Tiruvēngadanilai-perumāṇaḍigaļ at Tiruttangāļ by a resident of Kāḍanūr in Malli-nāḍn. 557 of 1922. *
- Year 21.—Kuntumiyāmulai (Pd.)—Mentions Madurāntaka Irukkuyēlār altus Āccan Vikramakēsariyār.

335 of 1904; Pd. 65.

- " Kudumiyāmalai (Pd.)—Gift of a village by Madurāntaka-Irukkuvēļ alias Ādittan Vikramakēsari.
 - 336 of 1904: Pd. 63.
- Kuttālam (Tin.)—(Valteluttu) 26 sheep for lamp to Kuttālattup-perumānadigal by Dharmasetti alias Sadaiyangavaiyan of the Manikkirāmam of Tenvāranādu.

 439 of 1917.
- " Tiruradi (SA.)—90 sheep and lamp-stand by a native of Adhirāja-mangalyapuram. 363 of 1921.

Parantaka I ? ARE. 1923 II 25.

- Year 22.—Kuttālam (Tin.)—(Vaṭṭeluttu)—Land for lamp by Kandan Iravi on the occasion of a solar cclipse. Kuttālam is said to be in Tenvāra-nādu. 441 of 1917.
 - " Tiruccendugai (Tri.)—Land as dēvudāna by Madurāntaka Irukkuvēļ ulias Ādittan-pūdi to Tiruccendugaikkagalip-paramēšvara. 318 of 1903.
 - of the *ālungaņattar* of Amaninārāyaṇa-catm. in Vadgarai. 295 of 1908. *
- Year 23.—*Tiruccendugai* (Tri.)—Land by Virašõļa-Iļangövēļ alias Ādittan † Tiruvogriyūr-adigaļ on the occasion of his marriage, (*vivāhadakṣiṇai*). 323 of 1903.
 - " Tillaisthānam (Tj.)—Gift of 25 kaļañju of gold for which the sabhā sells land for a lamp in the temple of Tirmeyttānam. Among the boundaries occurs the phrase: "Varaguņaperumāņ⇠viļakkukku-vaitta kāg-cē." 277 of 1911; SII. iii. 127.
- Year 24.—Kuttālam (Tin.)-(Vaṭṭeṭuttu)-Cows for lamp by Ariyam-poduviyār, wife of a ...raṇa Pallavaraiyan.

442 of 1917.

davējān alias Šāttan Ulagan, chief of Vandāļan-jēri in Tirunagaiyūr-nādu (of the Śōļa-nādu). The money was deposited on interest with Kuļumaņip-pākkam near Māngāda. Rate of interest 15 per cent.

176 of 1912.

- Year 25.—Andanallār (Tri.) Land by a certain Araiyan Vīrasõļan. 360 of 1903. §
 - * Text gives year (23). Parantaka I. ARE. 1909 H 37.
 - + Regnal year (2)3-first figure being doubtful.
- ‡ Wife of Parantaka Ilangövelär who gave some land in year 13 of Räjakësari (Gandaraditya). After Gandaraditya who ruled 18 years, there must have been at least four kings before A.D. 985 -Ariñjaya, Sundara-Cola- Parantaka II, Aditya II and Uttama, of whom the first probably and the third and fourth were Parakësaris. This record may be one of Ariñjaya whose records are otherwise unknown, or better Uttama Cola-II,K. Sastri.
 - f cf. 359 of year 11.

Year 25.—Kuttālam (Tin.)—(Vatteluttu) - Nine lakkāśu for lamp by the ūr of Tirukkāmañjūr in Kaļakkuḍi-nāḍu.

443 of 1917.

Year 26.—Tiruccengōdu (Sm.)—Gold for feeding Brahmans.
639 of 1905.

Year 27.—Kuttālam (Tin.)—(Vaṭṭeluttu) Lamp to Tirukkurrālattu Mahādēva. 438 of 1917.

" Tiruccengōdu (Sm.)—Gold for feeding Brahmans.
631 of 1905.

Year 28.—Kumbakāṇam (Tj.)—Gold for lamp. 246 of 1911. " Tiruccengōḍu (Sm.)—Gold for feeding. 638 of 1905.

Year 31.—Kanyākumāri (Tv.) - (Vaļļeļuttu) Fragment.

TAS. i. p. 237. *

- Year 32.—Kudumiyāmalai (Pd.) Gold for lamp by Mayilai Tiņdan alias Avandiyakopa-Pallavaraiyar of Pudukkudi. 322 of 1904.
 - ., Tiruccatturai (Tj.)—Gold, 25 kalanju, for lamp by a native of the Pandya country.

57 of 1895; SII. v. 614.

- Year 33. † —*Tiruppalātturai* (Tri.)—90 sheep for lamp. 252 of 1903.
- Year 34.—Śōmūr (Tri.)—Gold for lamp by a native of Śirrūr in Miy-maļa-nādu. 205 of 1917.
 - Sucindram (Tv.)—(Vaṭṭeluttu)-50 sheep with Paraḍai-sabhaiyār for lamp, to Nānjināṭṭu Tiruc-civindiarattu-mādēva. 81 of 1896; ‡ EI. v. p. 42; TAS. i. p. 237.
- Year 35.—Kuttālam (Tin.)—(Vaṭṭeluttu)-Six buffaloes for lamp by a native of Vallapuram in Mala-nādu. 447 of 1917.
- Year 36.—Sinnamanūr (Md.)—(Vaṭṭeluttu) Lamp. The village is called Alanāṭṭup-piramadēyam Arukēsarinaliūr.

 443 of 1907; § SII. iii. 109.

† Text has 23.

May be Parantaka I. T. A. G. Rao.

¹ Vijayalaya (Hultzsch) - Paruntaka I (T.A. G. Rao).

[§] Parantaka I ARE. 1908 II 51.

Year 37.—Tirugōkarnam (Pd.)—Gold.

308 of 1904.

- Year 40.—*Tiruvaṇḍarkōyil* (Pondicherry.)—90 sheep for lamp; mentions Tribhuvanamādēvi-catm., a *brahmadēya* on the northern bank of the Peṇṇār. 376 of 1917. *
 - The regnal year is missing or uncertain in the following:-
 - Marandai (Tin.)—(Vaṭṭeṭuttu)-Land for offerings to the Visṇn temple at Mārandāyanallūr, a brahmadēya in Kaṭakkuḍi-nāḍu.

 313 of 1918.
 - Sembiyanmahādēvi (Tj.)-158 pon (kaļañju) for feeding, with the interest thereon, some persons on the day of Kēţṭai in the month of Cittirai, the natal star of Sembiyan-Mahādēviyār, the mother of Uttama Cōļa.

489 of 1925.

- Tirumālpuram (NA.)—120 sheep for a lamp by the Cōļa queen Pancavan-mahādēvi. 338 of 1906.
- Tiruvirāmīśvaram (Tj.)—Money for lamp by a merchant of Viraśōlap-perunderu of Tanjāvar. 128 of 1911.
- Uttaramērār (Ch.) Gold for lamp to Jēstaiköyilin kīļaittaļi-mahādēva on the bank of the tank at Kumaņapādi in the town (ivvār). The samvatsura vāriyapperumakkaļ were made responsible for maintaining the lamp.

 10 of 1898; SII. vi. 293.

^{*} Patantaka I ARE. 1918 II 22.

PARAKĒSARI VIJAYALAYA.

Tirunedungalam (Tri)—Tribhuvana-cakravartin Könërin-maikondan. A gift of land according to an earlier charter of Parakësari alias Śri Vijayālaya Cöla-dēva.

675 of 1909.

See under Parakësari:

439 of 1908.
SII. i. 85,
436 of 1908.
28 of 1893,
81 of 1896.

under Vikrama Cola:

Year 5—Kilputtür

164 of 1915,

mentioning a gift in year 4 of Vijayālaya.

RAJAKĒSARI ĀDITYA I.

Tillaisthänam (Tj.)—Tondainädu-pävina (paravina?) Šõlan-palyänaikkök-kandanäyina Räjakësarivarma. Gift of 100 sheep by Kadamba-mädevi, wife of Vikkl-Annan on whom was bestowed the hereditary title Sembiyan Tamilavel with other marks of dignity by the Cöla king and by the Seraman Sthänu Ravi.

286 of 1911; SII. iii. 89.

See under Rājakēsari:

Year 2.— Tirumey ñānam.	321 of 1910.
" Tirunāgēšvaram.	222 of 1911.
Year 8.—Tillaisthanam.	38 of 1895.
Year 9.—Sendalai.	209 of 1926.
Year 14.—Vēḍal.	84 of 1908.
Year 18.—Sendalai.	13 of 1899.
Year 23.—Tiruppalanam.	161 of 1928.
" Ukkal.	19 of 1893.
Year 24.—Negkunam.	86 of 1908.
" Niyamam.	16 of 1899.
" Šendalai.	208 of 1926.
" Takkōlam.	5 of 1897.
Year 27.—Brahmadêśam.	230 of 1915.
" Tirukkalukkungam.	167 of 1894.
under Parantaka I:	
Year 34.—Toṇḍamānūḍ.	230 of 1903.
under Uttama Cöļa :	
Year 14, day 216.—Tirumālpuram	286 of 1906.

PARAKĒSARI PARĀNTAKA I.

See under Rājakēsari :

- Year 3—Kumbakāṇam.—A daṇḍam of 3000 on the city in Parantaka's 38th year. 255 of 1911.
- Year 8—Tillaisthānam—Kaņnaradēvan a brother of Parāntaka. 38 of 1895.
- Year 2—Tiruccendurai (Tri.)—(Parakēsari). Land by Pūdi Āditta Piḍāri * on the day of a solar eclipse.

310 of 1903.

- Pūdi Ādicca Pidāri, queen of Arikula-kēsari, as viļāppuram to the deity of the stone temple built by her.

 319 of 1903; SII. iii. 126.
- Ś. 832 † —Cendattūr (NA.)—Death of Māvali-Vāṇarāyar alias Kudi-pari-taṇḍik-kāmanār, residing in Igalmarai-mangalam, in a cattle raid at Cendattūr.

168 of 1921.

Year 3—Tiruccendurai (Tri.)—(Parakēsari). Gold, 60 kaļanju, by Pūdi Ādicca Piḍāriyār, daughter of Tennavan Iļangōvēļār ‡ and queen of Arikulakēsariyār, son of Šōļa-Perumānaḍigaļ, to the god of the stone temple of Candraśēkhara which she had built at Tiruccendurai, near Īśānamangalam (Brahmadēyam Īśānamangalattu Tiruccendurai). The gold was weighed by viḍēlviḍugukal and left in charge of Īśānamangalattu Paruḍai; interest at the rate of tāņi and padakku per pā yielding a total of 60 kalam per annum.

316 of 1903; § SII. iii, 96.

^{*} May have been the daughter of Pudi or Magavan Pudiyar Hence, Parakesari of this record must be Uttama or Aditya II. The echose points to A. D. 972 in Uttama Cola's reign. II. K. Sastri.

[†] This shows that in A. D. 910 Parantaka had not yet conquered the Banas.

Another name of Magavan Pudiyar. H. K. Sastri.

[§] The king of this record was Gandaraditya. A. D. 956-7 ARE. 1909 II 38, But see p. 150 n. ante.

- Year 3.—*Tirukkūdikāval* (Tj.)—Maduraikonda Parakēsari. Copy of an old Pāṇḍya inscription. 11 of 1931.
 - " Tiruppalanam—Maduraikonda Parakesari. Thirty kalanju gold for lamp. 157 of 1928.
 - " Tiruvādutugai (Tj.)—(Parakēsari). Purchase of land in Śiggānaiccūr by Kaggali-piccan of Tiruvādutugai,* who allotted it among one Tiruppadiyam-hymner, those bringing water for the sacred bath, and the pipers of the temple.

 139 of 1925.
- Year 4, day 325.—Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—Mentions the using up in building the central shrine of stones with inscriptions registering endowments for lamps in the temple. Copies of these records were accordingly made; and one of them was in the reign of the Kadu-pattigal Nandipõttaraiyar who had endowed a lamp called Kumāramārtānda. The order to copy and re-engrave the records was issued by a meeting in the Naţakaśala of the temple in which were present: ittevar śrīkāryam tiruttakkudava Tiraimūr-sabhaiyārum Tiruvidaimarudil Nagarattārum Tirukköyiludaiyārgaļum and two others, the accountant and manager of the temple. †

199 of 1907 : SII. iii. 124.

Year 7.—Madhurāntakam (Ch.)—Parāntakadēva. Land by the Perunguri-Mahāsabhai of Śri-Madhurāntaka-catm., as tiruvidaiyāṭṭam to Ayōdhya Perumāļ.

126 of 1896; † SII. v. 991.

- ,, Takkōlam (NA.)—Gold, 10 kalaūju, by a lady for a boat to be launched in the big tank. The sabhā of Parundūr undertake to supply as interest 150 kūdi of paddy for its maintenance, to be collected with the pañcavāra.

 252 of 1921.
- cf. 126 of 1925 of year 25.
- † Probably the earliest record of the new temple. Either Parantakal or Vijayalaya. The earliest ascertainable inscriptions here are those of Parantaka.

¹ Characters of a later time- SII. v. p. 377 n.

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Year 9.—Sholingur (NA.)—The king granted the revenue from a field called Vamśavāri (Vamśavārijanitan-nṛpadēyam) for the maintenance of a tank called Cōṭa-vāridhi on the bank of which the inscription is engraved on a rock. The execution of the grant was entrusted to the Ganga Pṛthivipati II Hastimalla who was made Bāṇādhirāja. Mentions battle of Vaḷṭāṭa in which Pṛthivipati distinguished himself.

9 of 1896; EI. iv. p. 221.

- Year 10.—Karuttaṭṭānguḍi (Tj.)—(Parakēsari). 90 sheep by Madurāntakan-Gaṇḍarādittan to Karundiṭṭai-guḍi Mahādēva. 42 of 1897; SII. v. 1405.
 - * Tiruvāmāttūr (SA.)—Madiraikoņda Parakēsari. Land. Mentions the king's other name, Śrī Parāntaka-dēva, and an officer of his named Śōlaśikhā-maṇi Pallava-raiyan. A case of diversion of charitable endowment from one purpose to another closely allied: land set apart for the maintenance of a mahāmātra who took care of the elephant which carried the śrībati was now employed to sound a gong (śeṇḍai koṭṭuvadāga) as the old service had stopped.

 423 of 1903.
 - ", Tiruvidaimarudār (Tj.)—Maduraikoņda Parakesari. An endowment for the uvaccar. Mentions the agent of the Cōļa king in Kongu, † 258 of 1907.
- Year 11—Pullamangai (Tj.)—Maduraikonda. Land to temple by assembly. 558 of 1921.
 - ,, Tiruccāttugai (Tj.)—Maduraikoņda. Gold, paļangāšu weighing 25 kaļañju for lamp with Pati-pādamūlattār. 63 of 1895 ; SII. v. 620.
 - " Tiruccāttugai (Tj.)—Maduraikoņda. 30 pan by Cōla queen Tribhuvana-mahādēviyār on behalf of her mother Nauguṭṭiyār. 130 of 1931.

^{*} Text reads : padi(nālā) vadu.

[†] ARE. gives the date (30); but the text gives 10.

Year 12—Kilappaluvür (Tri.)—Madiraikonda. Commander Nakkan Sättan of Paradür gave 90 sheep for lamp to Tiruvälandurai Mahädeva, to commemorate the victory of Paluvettaraiyar Kandan Amudändanär when the Pändya king helped by the Ceylonese army attacked the Cola king at the battle of Vellür and died.

231 of 1926. *

- " Takkōlam (NA.)—Maduraikoṇḍa. Agreement of the assembly of Tiruvūral to measure out 1125 marakkāl of pañcavāra paddy due from the dēvadāna village Parundūr by the marakkāl which would hold 7 nāļi and 1 uri by the Rājakēsari-nāļi. 261 of 1921.
- members of the year of the kudumbu,-tōṭṭa,-kalani,and vaḍa-kalani-vāriyams, the Bhaṭṭar and others
 order the acceptance by the ēri-vāriyam of an endowment of 120 kalañju of 9½ māri gold as the corpus
 from the interest on which were to be fed every day
 four Brahman apūrvins versed in the Vēda in the Śālaimaṇḍapa built by the donor. This was instituted for
 the merit of four warriors (śēvakar) who died in a
 frontal attack (nerri śenra) led by the donor, Śennippēraraiyar, at Vēļūr on the occasion when the Pāṇḍyan
 and Ceylonese kings came and fought a deadly battle
 (asti-kaḍai śeyda ñānru) with the Cōḷa king (perumānaḍigaļ).
 693 of 1904; SII. iii. 99.
- " Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—Madiraikoņda. Lamp. Mentions Taipūśam. 248 of 1907.
- " Uttaramērur (Ch.)—Madiraikoņda. Rules for elections to the vāriyam. Title Parāntaka at end.

2 of 1898 : Studies vi.

Year 13.—Tirukkalukkungam (Ch.)—(Vaṭṭeluttu) Madiraikonḍa.

A private gift of a lamp by Āmūrkköṭṭattu Kāraikkāṭṭūr Neḍumāgccāttan Śennip-pēraraiyan and his

This was the second war. Rājasimha was the name of the Pāndya king and Vellūr was apparently in the Pāndya country. cf. Udayëndiram plates of Pṛthivīpati II, vv. 10-11 ARE. 1926 II 16.

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mother Köyinangai. The sabhaiyār to protect the charity. 168 of 1894; EI. iii. p. 281.

Year 14.—*Tillaisthānam* (Tj.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. Sheep for lamp. Mentions village Parāntaka-puram in Kongu-nāḍu. * 290 of 1911.

Tiruvaiyānu (Tj.)—Madiraikonda. Gold for lamp by queen Tribhuvana-mahādēviyār.

242 of 1894; SII. v. 541.

, Uttaramērār (Ch.)—Madiraikoņļa. Revision of rules regarding elections to the vāriyam. Titles of the king: Vīranārāyaṇa, Dēvēndra, Cakravartin, Paṇḍitavatsalan, Kuñjara-mallan and Śūraśūļāmaṇi.

1 of 1898; Studies vi.

- that the sabha by a member of the yāļungaṇam of the village (ivvār).

 Witharamērār (Ch.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. Gold, 12½ kalañju, for lamp to Tirnppulivanattu Mahādēva given to the sabhā by a member of the yāļungaṇam of the village (ivvār).

 87 of 1898; SII. vi. 372.
- Year 15.—Erode (Coi.)—Madiraikonda. Agreement of the people of Elukarait-tiruväyppädi-nädu to pay certain taxes for the worship of Vennaikkutta-näyanär in the temple of Pallikondälvär at Īrödu:—½ panam on each kudi; ½ each from bridegroom and bride in marriages; 1 kungi and 1 mañjädi of gold as Śudukättuppätṭam.

167 of 1910, †

kāncīpuram (Ch.)—Madiraikoņda. 270 sheep for three lamps for which three uļakku of ghī had to be supplied every day by Caṇḍaparākrama Manrāḍi and his descendants, on pain of a daily fine for default of 4½ (?) at the dhanmāsana. There is also an undertaking to pay one manjāḍi of gold every day to the ruling king (anrāḍu kāvukku) if the charity fails (muļṭil).

SII. i. 82. ‡

^{*} This must have extended partly into Mysore country. cf. 281 of 1911, (Year 18); 457 of 1911 (Year 29) - ARE, 1912 II 13.

[†] Characters of a later time. Perhaps copy of a genuine record. cf. 258 of 1907 (Yr. 10) and Parantaka records from Tiruccengoqu. ARE. 1911 II 20.

^{\$} SII, i 83 is similar-180 sheep.

- Year 15.—Kudumiyāmalai (Pd.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. Gold for lamp at each of two temples. Mentions a person with the surname Arikulānta-vāraņa-Pēraraiyan. 345 of 1904.
 - for lamps, one each, in the temples of Tirumulatta-nattu-perumanadigal and Tirumurali-perumanadigal by two persons, viz., one of the Pillaiyar Ködandar * madaippallip-pendir (7½ kalanju for nandāvilakku), and one woman engaged for making sandal (šāndu) to the same prince (3 kalanju for pagalvilakku).

347 of 1904; SII. iii. 101.

Tiruppulivanam and Tulāvārattaļi. The ūr who sold the land and got its price, undertook themselves to perform the duties connected with the charity, though ordinarily the samvatsara-vāriyam did so.

8 of 1898; SII. vi. 291.

- Year 15, day 55.—*Uttaramērūr* (Ch.)—Madiraikonda. Rules for testing gold (pon samaūjasan-gānbadarkku) by a committee specially constituted by election for the purpose by order of the sabhā.

 12 of 1898; SII. vi. 295.
- Year 16.—Brahmaděšam (NA.)—Madiraikonda. The assembly Anjastašam fixes the remuneration to the tank accountant. The korru was four nāli of paddy every day, and seven kalañju of pure gold every year, and a pair of cloths (ōranaik-kūrai). Each accountant had, while presenting the accounts every year, to undergo the ordeal of red-hot iron (malu); if he passed the ordeal successfully, he got pādašēsa (? quarter of the surplus) as bonus; else he was fined 10 kalañju; no corporal punishment was to be inflicted.

226 of 1915.

- " Kudumiyāmalai (Pd.)—Madiraikoņda. Gold for lamp by a native of Kodungölür in Malai-nādu. 351 of 1904.
- ,, Tirunāmanallūr (SA.)—400 sheep for 4 lamps by the king's son Ködaņļarāma. 379 of 1902; SII. vii. 1009.

Same as Ködandarāma of 318 of 1904, n.d. ARE. 1905. II. 9. Ködandarāma Rājāditya, the eldest son of Parāntaka. H. K. Sastri.

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- Year 16.—*Tiruppurambiyam* (Tj.)—Maduraiyum İlamumkonda *
 Seven cows for *ghī* by two persons.

 331 of 1927.
- Year 16, day 222—Utturamerār (Ch.)—Madiraikonda. Land bought from ryots by order of assembly for renewing and widening a road which, owing to a flood, had become unfit for use even by cuttle. The garden committee executed the order of the assembly.

9 of 1898; SII, vi. 292.

- Year 17.—Brahmadišam (NA.)—Madiraikoņda. 325 huji of land for offerings by Nalluļān-Ūradimagan Attamūtti. 224 of 1915.
 - " Přeangiyāv (SA.)—Madiraikoņda. Sale of land by sabhā of Pēringūr. 200 of 1906.
 - "Śrīrangam (Tri.)—Madiraikon la. Thirty pon by śemmai-paṇḍārak-kal for lamp, forty for camphor, and one for cotton wick (prājn-tiri); and a silver lamp-stand (nilai-rilakku). Tiruvaranga-sabhā took charge of the endowments. 72 of 1892; SII. iv. 519.
 - gold for lamp by Guṇavan Sūratougi, one of the retinue (parivāvam) of Nambirāṭṭiyār Arumoṭi-nangai, the daughter of Paṭuveṭṭaraiyar.

299 of 1901; SII vii. 520.

- " Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—Madiraikon la. Gold by Kullan Accapidāri of Kolumbāļūc. 140 of 1928.
- " Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.) Madiraikopda. Paddy by inhabitants of Tiruvidai-nādn. 245 of 1907.
- Year 18.—Pullamangai (Tj.)—Madiraikonda. Royal gift as kudi-nīkkiya-dēvadānam of five and odd vēli of unalienated land yielding 500 kalam of paddy and 5 kaļaūju of gold to Tiruvālandurai-Mahādēva.

555 of 1921.

^{*} Earliest mention of conquest of Ceylon so far known occurs only in year 37. Perhaps this title was assumed after Velur and fully justified only later. ARE. 1927 II 10.

- Year 18.—Tillaisthänam (Tj.)—Madiraikonda. Gold for lamp. Mentions Kongap-peruvali. * 281 of 1911.
 - " Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—Madiraikoņda. Gold for a lamp by a merchant of Kumāra-māttāņdapuram in Tenkari-Tiraimūr-nādu. 262 of 1907.
- Year 19.—Kūlappaluvūr (Tri.)—Madiraikoņda. 90 sheep with sabhā of Širupaluvūr. Lamp by Daņdi Adigaļār of Umbaļappādi. 236 of 1926.
 - " Pallikonda (NA.)—Madiraikonda. Ardhamandapa of Naganāthēśvara temple built by Karuvili Muttaraiyar. 476 of 1925.
 - Pillaipākkam (Ch.)—Madiraikonda. Regulations for election of members to the assembly by the wards of Ningavūr in Palkunga-köttam. 176 of 1930.
 - n Takkölum (NA.)—Madiraikonda. 800 kūdi of paddy left with Manayil-köttattu Tiruvūral-purattup-pondaip-pākkattu sabhā. Interest rate of 4 nūli per kūdi per annum yielding in all 100 kūdi; the man who came to collect this interest was to be given two meals a day (nišadam irandu šōzu). 8 of 1897; SH. v. 1371.
 - " Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—Madiraikoņda. Gold for lamp. Mentions Nambirāṭṭiyār Kökkiļān(aḍigaļ).

261 of 1907.

- " Vēdal (NA.)—Madiraikoņda. Mentions Viņņagar Vayiramēgan and a Kālāmukha Daśapurīyan † of the Hārita gōtra and Āpastamba sūtra. 85 of 1908.
- Year 20.—*Tiruppalātturai* (Tri.)—Madiraikoņda. 20 kuļanju gold for lamp by vaļavan tamakkai-yurmaiyāļāna Arinjigai Ādittan. 255 of 1903; *SII.* viii. 648.
 - " Tiruviḍaimarudūr (Tj.) Madiraikoṇḍa. Gold for green-gram offering. Forty kaṭañju deposited in parts with the sabhā and ūr of Tiraimūr.

201 of 1907.

• cf. 290 of 1911 (Year 14)

† cf. 129 of 1907 from Kodumbālūr (Vikramakēsari). Mēlpādi had a matha of Lakulīśa Pāśupatas, perhaps a branch of the Kālāmukhas, at the beginning of the 11th century A. D. ARE. 1909 II 37.

PARANTAKA I

- Year 20.—*Tiruvorriyūr* (Ch.)—Madiraikonda. Mentions wife of Kēraļa Ku(ru)mban *alias* Parakēsari Mūvēndavēļār of Vaļudi-vāļ-mangalam. 173 of 1912. *
- Year 21.—Kandiyür (Tj.)—Madiraikonda. Thirty kalanju gold by an inhabitant of Tanjävür, and fifteen kalanju by another for mid-day offerings, converted into land. The Tirukandiyür sabhai was in charge of the endowment.

 14 of 1895; SII. v. 569.
 - " Takkōlam (NA.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. Paddy and gold with Kayattūr Ūrūr of Tiruvūralpuram in Paumā-nūḍn of Maṇayil-kōṭṭam. 12 of 1897; SII. v. 1375.
- Year 22.—Kilappaluvār (Tri.)—Madiraikoņda. 90 sheep with sabhā for lamp by Nandin-kadatti, a peņdāṭṭi of the vēļum of Gaṇḍarādittar † of Taājāvūr. 241 of 1926.
 - "Siddhalingamaḍam (SA.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. Sale by the villagers (Ĉr) of Marudūr, to Iraiyānkuḍi-kilavan, oŋ the right of taking water for irrigation to balippaṭṭṭi through the shuice of the tank in their village, for a specified sum of money. ‡ 376 of 1909.
 - ,, Tiruvaiyāru (Tj.)—Madiraikoņda. 90 sheep for lamp by a queen's mother (Cōļa-mādēviyār-taugaļ-ācci) Perumāļ Tiruvarangi. 225 of 1894; SII. v. 524.
- Year 23.—Grāmam § (SA.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. 90 sheep for lamp by (people of) Tirnmunaippāḍi. 744 of 1905.
 - " Oddantangal (NA.)—Madirnikonda. Land as ēripaṭṭṭi for repairing breaches in the tank in Tūñādu.

206 of 1921.

- * The records of this king at Tiruvo riyūr range from years 20 to 38 and are perhaps the earliest Cola records in the Northern corner of the Tondai-mandalam, apparently not conquered by Aditya 1 (Rājak.) as no records of his are found there, AKE. 1913 II 18.
- † Second son of Parantaka I and author of a Tiruvisaippa; already a grown up prince. AKE, 1926 II 16.
- ‡ Text does not give the name of the person and the sale; says simply "urittakac-cedukoduttom".
 - § Called Parantaka-catm, in 193 of 1906.

Year 23 + 1.— Takkōlam (NA.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. 455 kalañju of gold for a kolgai to the Tiruvñgal-Mahādēva temple.

251 of 1921.

- Year 24.—Jambai (SA.)—Madiraikonda. Mentions the building of a mandapa at the town of Vāļaiyūr by Viranāraniyār, queen of prince Gandarādittar and daughter of Śōlamādēviyār; also endowment by Nagarattār in whose name the mandapa was built. 108 of 1906.
 - " Kuttālam (Tin.)—Madiraikoņda. Gold for lamp by Pirāntakan Uttamašīli. 446 of 1917. *
 - plates made of gold collected from several sources (palisaippon and tandappon) by Kāmakkōdanār. An undertaking by the temple servants to burn two perpetual lamps in the temple with 180 sheep purchased out of 20 kaḥaōju realised from various sources in the 26th year of the king.

 378 of 1924.
 - , Tillaisthānam (Tj.)—Madiraikoņda. Forty Ceylon kajañju† of gold equal to twenty pon for a lamp given by Pirāntakan Arikulakēsari, the king's son.

25 of 1895; SH, v. 582.

- " Tirukkalāvār (Tj.)—Madiraikoņļa. Land for lamp by Nakkan Śandirādēvi of the Jayabhīmataļi ‡ at Tañjāvār. 38 of 1910 ; SH. iii. 102.
- Tirnevidaimarudār (Tj.)—Madiraikoņda. 90 sheep for lamp by a native of Ānaimangalam in Patţinakkūgram. 259 of 1907.
- * This and 448 of year (36) are the only two records of this king so far found in the Pandya country. 63 of 1905 from Anaimalai of year 33 still left it doubtful if his conquest extended beyond the capital and its outskirts. The conquest of the whole Pandya country is mentioned in the Udayendiram and Tiruvalangadu plates. Eight Vattelatu records from Kuttalam (Tin.) are also naturally to be assigned to this king. ARE, 1918 II 22.
- † Text has: Ilakka(lañ)ju. Ceylonese kalañju was 10 mañjādi, while the Tanjore one was 20. See also 156 of 1895, AKE. 1895, paragraph 12.

[#] cf. SH. ii. 66 p. 292; ARE, 1910 H 16.

PARANTAKA I

- Year 24.—Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Madiraikoņda. 12½ kaļañju of gold for lamp by the son of one of the yāļungaņattūr.

 The ēri-vāriyam of each year was to supervise the charity. 58 of 1898; SII, vi. 341.
 - " Vēppunganēri (NA.)—Madiraikoņda. A grant of 1,000 kuļi of land by the assembly of Kāvanūr as ērippaṭṭi.
 166 of 1921.
- Year 25.—Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Madiraikoņda. Gold for lamp. Gaņapperumakkaļ to supervise. 222 of 1915.
 - " (Solar eclipse) Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Madiraikoņļa.
 Fifteen kaļañju of gold for lamp by Kiļinallūr
 Kiļavan alias Šembiyan Kiļūrnāṭṭukkōn of Kiļinallūr
 in Śōḷa-nāḍu. The sabhā and ūr of Vadiyūr agreed to
 supply the oil for the lamp. Mentions Vallavaraiyar.

235 of 1915.

Mēlappaļuvār (Tri.)—Madiraikoņda. Undertaking by the assembly of Uttamadāni-catm, for the daily supply of yhū for one lamp as interest on gold (9 kaļañju-tīp-pōkku šembon) received by them from the temple.

359 of 1924.

- Siddhalingamadam (SA.)—Madiraikonda. Land for music thrice a day during worship. 387 of 1909.
- " Tillaisthānam (Tj.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. An enquiry into temple affairs by royal writ; the Nagara-vāriyakkūṭṭam has part in the enquiry; fine of 12 kaḥañju is levied on some defaulters, and is used for making a paṭṭam and for festival.

 31 of 1895; SII. v. 588.
- ", Tiruppuyambiyam (Tj.)—Madiraikonda. 90 sheep by the Nattn-manyadigal for lamp. 345 of 1927.
- " Tiruvādutugai (Tj.)—Maduraikouda. 11 mā of land for maintenance of pipers in the temple by Tirukkargaļipicam * who is stated to have built the Gönnktīsvara

^{• 132} of 1925 (n-d.) is the name label of this person figured as worshipping a linga on the S. wall of the temple.

temple at Tiruvāḍnturai. On receiving 16½ kaļānju, of gold, the assembly of Śirrānaiccūr made the land tax-free.

126 of 1925.

- Year 26.—Erumūr (SA.)—Madiraikoņda. 90 sheep for lamp by a lady. The sabhā agree to see that the lamp is regularly maintained. 381 of 1913.
 - " Kandiyūr (Tj.)—Madiraikonda. Land given in exchange for 10½ kalaūju of gold endowed by Pillaiyār Parāntakan Uttamašīli for a lamp (pagalvilakku). The sabhā of Tirnkkandiyūr made the exchange.

19 of 1895; SII. v. 575.

" Mēlappaļuvār (Tri.)—Madiraikoņda. Gift of reclaimed land for lamp by Kādau Pūdi, a native of Nelvāyil (Nelvāyil-udaiyān) in Mīgōlai Viļā-nādu.

380 of 1924.

" Tiruccatturai (Tj.)—Sheep for lamp by Nangūrinangai of Mayilārpil on behalf of her daughter Śōļaśikhāmaṇiyūr, the queen of the Cōļa king.

158 of 1931.

- ., Tiruvoggiyür (Ch.)—Madiraikonda. 90 sheep for lamp and one Ceylonese (Im) lamp-stand by a native of Śōla-nādu. 184 of 1912.
- " Tiruvogriyār (Ch.)—Madiraikonda. A part (of Tirnvogriyūr?) called Śūra-śūļāmaṇip * -pernuderu.

187 of 1912.

- udayēndiram (NA.) Madiraikoņda. Resolution of sabhās of Kānjivāyil alias Igal-marai-mangalam and Udayacandra-mangalam to live together as one village thereafter.

 SII. ii. p. 370; EI. iii. p. 147.
- Year 27.—Adigudi (Tri.)—Madiraikonda. Land for lamp by a native of Anbil, a brahmadēya in Kil-kūrru, a subdivision of Kilār-kūrru, to the temple of Tiruvādigudi.

 106 of 1920.

Surname of Parantaka I ARE, 1913 II 18.

PARANTAKA 1

Year: 27.— Tillaisthānam (Tj.) — Madiraikoṇḍa. Lamp by a merchant of the Maṇigrāmam of Ādittapura in Tiruńeyttānam. The gold given for the purpose was taken charge of by Paradāya-nakkan Śrikandan. *

33 of 1895; SII. v. 590.

- " Tiruccengōḍu (Sm.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. Money for a lamp entrusted to the sabhā of Tiruccengōḍu, while the people of the eighteen districts (nāṭṭār) were to protect the grant. 640 of 1905.
- main-tain a drummer (uḍukkai-vūśippūn) who had to play on the uḍukkai thrice a day (mūngu śandiyum). The land was given by an officer auditing temple affairs (śrikūryam arūykinga), the sabhā of Tiraimūr, the magarattār of Tiruviḍaimarudil, the tirukkōyil-uḍaiyār and the pati-pādamūlattar, assembled in the theatre (nūṭaka-śūlai).

 157 of 1895; SII. v. 721.
- , Turuvišalār (Tj.)—Madiraikoņļa. Provision for the supply of bathing water from the Kāvēri to the deity. The village is called Avani-nārāyaņa-catm. alias Vēmbaggūr, a dēvadāna and brahmadēya on the northern bank. 35 of 1907.
- " Tiruvoggiyür (Ch.)—Madiraikonda. 90 sheep for lamp by Dēvan Kēsari alias Kuñjaramalla † Pallavaraiyan. 167 of 1912.
- Year 28.—Erumür (SA.)—Madiraikonda. The śrīvimāna was built of stone and the göpura with astaparivāra erected by Irungölan Kunavan Aparājitan; 3½ vēli of land given by the same person with the permission of the king, Śōlapperumāl Parāntaka-dēva, to the temple of Śigutirukköyil-bhaṭāra at Ugumūr, for tiruccennal, arcanāhhāga and the maintenance of the drummers for śrībali.

 384 of 1913. ‡

[°] cf. 31 of 1895 of year 25.

⁺ A surname of the king, ARE, 1913 Il 18.

^{‡ 379, 381} and 382 with earlier regnal years in the same temple. Either the construction was finished earlier than year 28 or the earlier grants got engraved in that year after the completion of the work. ARE. 1914 II 15.

Year 28.—Kilūr (SA.)—Madiraikonda. 100 sheep for lamp to Tirukkovalūr Tiruvirattānattup-perumāl by the queen Rājadoviyār Teśadakki-perumānār, daughter of Milādudaiyār Kayirūr Perumānār.

279 of 1902; EI. vii. p. 141.

" Periya Varikkam (NA.)—Madiraikonda. 500 kuli of land by assembly to the wife and children of Sāmināyakkan, a hero who fell in a cattle raid in Varikkiyam alias Candirāditya-mangalam.

180 of 1921.

Tirunāmanallār (SA.)—Madiraikoņļa. 90 sheep and an *Īļaviļakku* by Citrakomaļam, a female servant (parivārattā!) of the queen Kökkiļānadigaļ, mother of Rājādittadēva, who * ordered the construction of the stone temple of Tiruttoņļīšvara (Bhaktajanēšvara) at Tirunāvalūr in Tirumunaippādi.

335 of 1902; EL vii. p. 133.

". Tiruppalanam (Tj.).--Madiraikoņda. 90 sheep for lamp, Mentions the queen of Śōlapperumānadigal, Śeyabhuvana Cintāmaṇiyār of Kāvirippūmpaṭṭinam. †

137 of 1928.

- y Vēdāraņyam (Tj.)—Madiraikonda. 90 sheep for a lamp by Arnnidi-Kaliyan of Marudur, an officer of Śrī-Parakēsari. 445 of 1904.
- Year 29.—Bairakār (Mys.)—(Kanarese) Madiregonda. A memorial stone for a person who recovered the cows, slew and died.

 457 of 1911; EC. x. Mb. 203. ‡
 - god in charge of the ganapperumakkal doing šrīkāryam of Śrī Pondaibhaṭṭārakar. 202 of 1915.
- * It is not clear if the mother or the son built the temple. See Venkayya ASI, 1905-6 p. 180 un. 7 and 8.
 - + cf. 46 of 1923 (Yr. 34.)
- ‡ Rice (p. Xxiv) says that this is an isolated instance of such an early Kan. Cola inscription and suspects a later date. But 290 and 281 of 1911 (years 14 and 18) furnish evidence of Parantaka's sway in Kongu-ARE, 1912 II 13. And there is nothing against the genuineness of this record, II. K. Sastri. El. x. Additions etc.

PARANTAKA I

- Year 29.—Grāmam (SA.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. Gift of sheep for a lamp by Veļļangumaran, a native of Nandikarai-puttūr in Matai-nāḍu and general of prince Rājāditya, * to Śrī-mūlasthānattu-mahādēva of the Śrī-Ārruttaļi at Tirumuḍiyūr. 739 of 1905; ASI. 1905-6. p. 180.
 - " Grāmam (SA.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. Lamp by some servants (kōyizmillaigal) of prince Rājāditya to the temple of ŚrI-Arruttali Mahādēva. 745 of 1905.
 - " Grāmam (SA.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. Lamp by a servant of prince Rājāditya. 182 of 1906.
 - "Kil-muttugār (NA.)—Madiraikoņļa. Records death of Vadu-navāran Varadan Tāṇḍan in a cattle raid—(peru-mānaḍikaṭān Mukkuṭṭār toru koṭṭa māṭṭup-paṭṭān). †

 1 of 1896; EI. iv. pp. 178-9.
 - " Tiruccānūr (NA.)—Madiraikomla. Lamp apparently by a native of Kodungölür in Malai-nādu (Cranganore in Cochin?). Tiruccānūr is called Tiruccökunūr twice, and its sabhā mentioned. 260 of 1904.
 - " Tirunāmanallār (SA.)—Maduraikoņļa. 100 sheep for a lamp to the shrine of Agastyēšvara by a physician of Pillaiyār Rājāditya. 325 of 1902; SII. vii. 954.
 - Rājāditya Iśvara and Agastyēśvara by a servant of Rājāditya Iśvara kas twenty sheep for offerings at ardhayāma.

 347 of 1902; SII. vii. 977.
 - Tiruvogriyūr (Ch.)—Madiraikonda. Thirty ka'añju of ūrkagecemmai-pon for lamp to Mahādēva by Iravi Niti, daughter of Vijayarāga-dēva, ‡ the Kēraļarāja. The amount was apparently invested on a field in Tiru-

^{*} cf. 735 of year 36.

[†] Portrait of warrior. Palaeogr. same as Tirukkalukkungam inscription (168 of 1894) of year 13. The raid was by the W. Ganga king. (ARE. 1896 paragraph 6)

[‡] Perhaps the son or brother and successor of Sthanu Ravi, if at all he was an actual ruler of the Cera country. H. K. Sastri.

vorriyür which yielded an annual interest of 4½ kalanju at the rate of 3 manjadi per kalanju.

169 of 1912; SII. iii. 103.

Year 29—Tiruvorriyūr (Ch.)—Madiraikoņda. Gold, ūrkarccemmai 40 kaļanju, for feeding a learned Brahman by a native of Eţṭiyākuricci in Pāṇḍi-nāḍu who had accepted service in the temple (karmiyāy-vandu).

182 of 1912.

- Year 30—Kumaramangalam (NA.)—Madiraikonda. Death of Manukulan Śingaperumān in a cattle raid (erumaittoru) after recovery of the cattle. 186 of 1921.
 - " Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—Madiraikonda. Gold by Kāri-Āccan of Āyirattaļi in Kiļār-kūrram and the merchants of the village for burning lamps in the temple.

164 of 1928.

- for two lamps by Ködandaranan, eldest son * of the Cöla king Parakesari. Part of it, thirty kalanju, was perhaps borrowed on interest in the 35th year of the king by the ūr of Vellivāyil at the rate of 3 manjādi per kalanju per annum (15%) with the undertaking to provide two meals a day for the person who went to collect the interest.

 164 of 1912; SII. iii. 105.
- Tiruvogriyūr (Ch.)—Madiraikonda. Gold for lamp by Arindigai Perumānār, son of Cōla-perumānadigal, to god Śiva at Ādhigrāma. Thirty kalanju, † called niṣka in the Sanskrit part, formed the amount of the endowment. 170 of 1912; SII. iii. 104.
- Year 31—Grāmam (SA.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. Gift of vessels by men who belonged to the (army) of prince Rājāditya-dēva. 187 of 1906.
 - ,, Kattamacci (C.)—Madiraikonda. Sale of land by villagers, (ur). 61 of 1907.
- * i. e. Rējāditya of the Leyden grant, cf. 230 of 1903 (Yr. 34) and 318 of 1904 (n-d.) ARE. 1913 II 18.
 - † Invariably about 80 grains-H. K. Sastri.

PARANTAKA I

Year 31.—Takkōlam (NA.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. Gold by queen of Gōvinda Vallavaraiyar and the daughter of the Cōḷa king Parāntaka-dēvar for lamp in the Tiruvūral-Mahādēva temple at Takkōlam, which the residents of Śembuḷalai undertook to maintain.

245 of 1921.

- ,, Takkōlam (NA.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. Similar gift by queen Viramādēvi, * the residents of Ūrāḍagam agreeing to maintain the lamp. 246 of 1921.
- " Takkūlam (NA.)—Madiraikoņda. 90 sheep for lamp by a native of Tēnūr on the banks of the Vaigai in the Pāṇḍi-nāḍu. 248 of 1921.
- made tax-free by the assembly of Düvedimangalam, a brahmadeya in the same nāḍu as the temple, viz., Pērāvūr. The standard for the gold was ūrkarccemmai. † 50 of 1925.
- " Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Madiraikoņda. Lamp by the Côļa queen Amudan Perrāl alias Pallavan Mādēviyār of Kānattūr in Umbaļa-nādu. 303 of 1906.
- " Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Madiraikoņļa. Lamp by the queen Amani-mādēviyār who came from Pāṇḍi-nāḍu.

 314 of 1906.
- " Tirunāmanallūr (SA.)—Madiraikoņda. 100 sheep for lamp by a servant (ānai-āl) of Rājāditya-dēva.

 330 of 1902; SII. vii. 959.
- " Tiruppaļanam (Tj.)—Madiraikoņda. Land by the nurse (tādi) of the Cōļa king Parāntaka. Mentions Karikālakarai amoug the boundaries.

129 of 1895; SII. v. 693.

" Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—Madiraikonda. 96 sheep for lamp by Poriyaluman, brother-in-law of Igumukkaraiyar. 134 of 1928.

Same as the queen mentioned in 245 of 1921.

[†] We have also: palangāšinodum oppadu. cf. SII. iii p. 229, ARE. 1925 II 10.

- Year 31.—*Tirunaiyāru* (Tj.)—Madiraikonda. Five *vēli* of land for feeding Śivayōgins, given to Niyāmadhanaśvāmigaļ śiṣya-praśiṣya-vargattār by Irumadiśōlap-pallavaraiyan alias Namban Aiyāradigaļ. 241 of 1894; *SII.* v. 540.
 - " Tiruvaiyāru (Tj.)—Madiraikoņda. Silver lamp and land by the Queen of the Cöla king, Valavan-Mādēvi-yār, the daughter of Niranāyp-pādiyār.

248 of 1894; SII. v. 547.

Year 32.—Kij-muttugür (NA.)—Madiraikonda. Marks the spot where a tiger was killed by Kumāranandi Pulalappan of Vadagarai-Mukkuṭṭūr.

2 of 1896; EL iv. p. 179. *

" Tirunāmanallār (SA.)—Madiraikoņda. 100 sheep for a lamp to Tiruttõngiśvara alias Rājāditya Īśvara by a servant of princo Rājāditya-dēva.

326 of 1902; † SII. vii. 955.

" Tiruttani (NA.)—Madiraikonda. Land to Subrahmanya temple apparently by one Parakōsari Muttaraiyan.

439 of 1905. ‡

- " Tiruviljimiļulai (Tj.)—Madiraikoņda. Sheep for lamp. 440 of 1908. §
- " Ūttukkādu (Ch.) Madiraikoņda. Construction of a tank. 347 of 1906.
- Year 33—Ānaimalai (Md.)—(Vaļļeļuttu). Madīraikoņda. Records the digging of a tank called Kaliyanēri after the donor Marudūrudaiyān Aruņidi-Kaliyan, an adigūri of the Cōļa king. Mentions the temple of Narašingaperumānadīgaļ on the Tirnvāuaimalai.

63 of 1905; SII. iii. 106.

- * Palaeographically same as No. 1 of year 29. There is a bas-relief of a man fighting a tiger with his sword.
 - + 328, 336, 348 are similar gifts of servants of R. in the same place.
- ‡ Said to be 'apparently later than Rajaraja I,' but not explained how. ARE. 1906 II 21.
 - § On a pillar-cf. 436 of 1908 of Parak. Year 6. ARE, 1909 ll 35.

PARANTAKA I

- Year 33.—Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Madiraikoņda. Twelve kaļañju of gold for a lamp by Aļagašarma-kramavittan, son of Kūḍal Kiļār Maņišivabhaṭṭa Sarvakratukkaļ, one of the āļungaņam of Rājamalla-catın. 218 of 1915.
 - " Kāvanūr (NA.)—Madiraikoņda. 400 Kuļi of land for lamp to Śrī Karapurattu Perumāl by a member of the āļungaņum. 161 of 1921. *
 - " Kiļūr (SA.)—Madiraikoņda. 100 sheep for a lamp to Tirukkövalūr Tiruvīrattānattu Mahādēva, by a Malai-yāṇa-ograiccēvagan of the army of Piļļaiyār Arikula-kēsari. 280 of 1902; † EI. vii. p. 141.
 - " Tirunāmanallūr (SA.)—Madiraikoņda. 100 sheep for lamp by a servant of Rājāditya's Malaiyāṇaparivāra. 343 of 1902; SH. vii 973.
 - " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Madiraikoņda. Three rēli of land by Naudiširuppirān alias Ananta-Vikramappēraraiyan, a mahāmātru, for feeding twenty-five Brahmans; also gold for two perpetual lamps in the temple at Tiruanantišvaram. 539 of 1920.
- Year 34.—Kāviladi—(Tj.) Gold, 10 kalatīju, for lamp to Tiruccadaimudi Mahādēva, by wife of Vimalānkusan Edarnīkki, an inhabitant of Sāļakkirāmam in the Pāṇdya country. 287 of 1301, SII, vii. 507.
 - " Pulallür (Ch.)—Madiraikonda. Ten kalañju of gold by the queen Ścyyablınvana-cintāmaniyār for lamp at the shrine of Śri-Rāghava in the temple of Tirnvayöddhi at Pulvēļūr in Eyigköţţam 46 of 1923.
 - " Sōmūr (Tri.)—Madiraikoņda. Kēraļa paļļi (mum)ma(ḍi)kkirani(rā)mi iduvitta paļai.

68 of 1890; SII. iv. 392.

- " Tillaisthānam (Tj.)—Madiraikoņda. 90 sheep for lamp by queen Malliśvarattu Nambirāṭṭiyār Tennavanmahādēviyār alias Nārāyaṇa Nangūri Nangaiyār,
- * Pillar bearing the inscription apparently brought from the neighbouring Perumal temple.

[†] Engraved in continuation of 279 of Year 28.

called here Śōla-perumānaligal Mahādēviyār.

44 of 1895; SII. v. 601.

- Year 34.—*Tiruttani* (NA.) Madiraikonda. Land by the assembly. 449 of 1905.
 - " Tiruvaiyāru (Tj.)—Madiraikoņda. Lamp by queen Coļasikhāmaņi, who was Mayilāppi. Nanguri Nangaiyār magaļār. * 226 of 1894; SII. v. 525.
 - in Sans. part) for lamp by Mägan Parameśvaran alias Śembiyan Śöliya-varaiyan of Śignkulattūr, 'who captured Śītpuli, † destroyed Nellūr, and on roturning from there, made a grant to the temple of Mahādēva at Tiruvoggiyūr.' (Śilpuliyai-yegindu Nellūralitlu mīndu pēdugingān). The donor is called Virakīrti in the Sanskrit verse at the beginning.

160 of 1912; SIL iii. 108.

- Tondamānād (C.)—Madiraikonda. Gold for feeding 1,000 Brahmans on certain festival days. Mentions temple of Kōdandarāmēśvara alias Ādityēśvara‡ and a certain Pallippadaiyadaiya Vāgīśvara-panditabhaṭṭāra. 230 of 1903.
- sheep for lamp to Tirukkarku-li-Paramēšvara of Nandipamnamangalam, a brahmadēya on the southern bank, by Pirāntakan Mādēva-ligaļār, the wife of Pirāntakan Gaṇḍarādittadēvar § and the daughter of Maļaperumāļ. 96 of 1892; SH. ii. 75; iv. 543.
- * cf. 44 of 1895 above (same year).
- † He must have been the E. Calukya Bhima II or one of his subordinates. ARE. 1913, II 18. Perhaps a later member of the Neada dynasty to which Prthivi Vyaghra, the enemy of Udayacandra, belonged. II. K. Sastri. cf. 236 of 1912 n-d.
- ‡ Venkayya thought that this name was connected with Rājāditya (or Gandarāditya). 164 of 1912 (Yr. 30) makes it clear that Rājāditya had the title Kōdandarāma. But Āditya died at Tondamānāttūr and the temple may have taken its name from him. He might have had the surname Kōdandarāma. H. K. Sastri SII. iii. 105 i.e. 164 of 1912.
- § The author of the Tiruvisaippū-Ilultzsch, SII. ii. p. 374, contra Venkayya on 222 of 1903 of Rujak. Yr. 4.

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- Year 35.—Emappērūr (SA.)—Madiraikoņda. Land by a Brahman for a flower-garden to supply daily a garland six spans long to the deity.

 527 of 1921. **
 - " Takkūlam (NA.)—Madiraikoņļa. Sale of land, house sites and certain privileges by the headman of Pāśāli in Pāśāli-nāḍu to residents of Aṇaikaraipudūr in consideration of their maintaining a sacred lamp in the temple of Tiruvūral Mahādēva. 254 of 1921.
 - " Tirunāmanallūr (SA.)—Madiraikoņda. 100 sheep for lamp by a servant of prince Rājāditya.

329 of 1902; SII. vii. 958.

on land purchased for the temple by Kandan Śāttan of Negkuppai in Taūjāvūr-kūgram, by the assembly of Sigrānaiccūr for money received from the donor at the rate of 1½ kalaūju per mā. This and another piece of land got from the same assembly by Tirukkagralipiccan (122 of Year 38) were for the maintenance of servants who blew the conch and horn, held the parasol (vitānam) and looked after the flower-garden.

125 of 1925.

- " Tiruvāḍuturai (Tj.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. Fourteen vēli of land bought from the Tiraimūr sabhā and the Tiruvidaimarudil nagarattār. Mentions Palangāviri among boundaries. 149 of 1895; SII. v. 713.
- " Tiruvogriyür (Ch.)—Madiraikonda. Fifty kalañju of gold for feeding two Mahavratis every day, by Iladaip-pēraraiyan alias Śōlaśikhāmaņi †-Pallavaraiyan.

168 of 1912.

Year 35+1.—Tillaisthänam (Tj.)—Madiraikonda. 25 kalañiu gold for lamp deposited with the Pati-pādamūlattār. Another gift of 15 pon for tiruvamidu to Kalangāecudar-nitta-bhujaga. 43 of 1895; SII. v. 600,

[&]quot; Text gives date 34.

[†] Surname of Parantaka. ARE. 1913 II 18.

Year 36—Grāmam (SA.)—Madiraikonda. Records that Vellangumaran, the Kērala general of prince Rājāditya, son of Madhurāntaka, built of Stone a Śiva temple (Ārruttaļi-Mahādēva) at Mauļigrāma, i.e., Mudiyūr on the Pennai river. The record is dated Kali 4044 and Kali day 1,47(70)37 corresponding to 14th January, Saturday, 943 A.D.

735 of 1905; ASI. 1905-6 pp. 182-3, EI. viii. p. 261.

- " Kilappaluvār (Tri.)—Madiraikoņda. Agreement by three servants of the temple to put up two picotahs (*čttam*) for water for bathing the god and for the flower-garden for money received. 218 of 1926.
- " Kuttālam (Tin.)—(Vaṭṭeluttu). Madiraikoṇḍa. Two lamps by the headman of Kilinallūr.

448 of 1917.

- Tirurāduturai (Tj.)—Madiraikonda. Land, after purchase (tax-free) from the assemblies of Siru-puliyūr and Sirrānaiccūr, for the maintenance of two hymners, two gardeners, and two maid-servants for gathering flowers for garlands, for offerings in the temple, and for feeding, under the supervision of the donor's descendants, the Sivayōgins and the Māhēśvaras on the seven festival days beginning with the asterism Mūla. Mentions Madapati often.
- " Tiruverumbūr (Tri.)—Madiraikoņda. Sale of land by the Perunguri-mahāsabhā of the brahmadēņa Śrīkaņ-tha-catm., for "tīppūkkuc-cembon kuļañjil pērttu urai-yum tuļaiyum vaļuvādadu irvār-ādu kallār-koņda pon padinaingaļañju" and another 15 kaļañju for iraikāval-dravyam on the same land.

100 of 1892; SII. iv. 547.

Year 37.—Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Madiraikonda. 14½ kaļanju gold for lamp by one of the āļungaņattar of Rājamallacatm. in Tiruvēgambapuram. 217 of 1915.

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- Year 37.—Lūlguļi (Tri.)—Madiraikoņda. Land for two Brahmans * chanting the *Tiruppadiyam* thrice every day in the temple of Tirutavatturai Mahādeva. 99 of 1929.
 - " Kāncīpuram (Ch.)—Madiraikoņda. Sale of lands in Kanṇamangalam to the temple of Anantanārāyaṇa-Paramasvāmin of Kaccippēḍu who was pleased to lie on his serpent couch in the Tiruveḥkā (the Vēgavatī river) (Tiruveḥkā-aṇai-kiḍandaruṭina) by some private persons of the same village for 367 kaṭañṇu gold. 21 of 1921, †
 - hy Manarkudi, a ganattān of Munpālai in the Milalaikkurram in Pāndi-nādu. 230 of 1926.
 - " Śrinivāsanullūr (Tri.)—Madiraikonda. Gold for a lamp, a copper water pot, a lamp stand and a silver tray.

589 of 1904.

- " Tiruccengōdu (Sm.)—Madiraikoṇḍa. Lamp. 632 of 1905. ‡
- , Tirurcilagai (Tri.)—Madiraikonda. Gold for feeding a Brahman versed in the Veda. 86 of 1910.
- " Trruvidaimavudāv (Tj.)—Madiraikoņda. Land for lamp by a merchant of Mayilāppil in Puliyūr-kōṭṭam.

147 of 1895; SII. v. 711.

- ,, Tivuridaimavudūv (Tj.)—Madiraikoņda. Mentions a certain Kavarāmoļi-Mādēvan alias Toņdaradippodi. 207 of 1907.
- " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Madnraiynm İlamum-konda. Money (90 kāśu) by a woman-servant of the temple kitchen for feeding three persons every day.

553 of 1920.

- * contra Sudra Oduvārs doing this now. ARE. 1929 II 25. 104 of 1929 (Rājak, Yr. 3.) is a gift supplementing this endowment.
- † Palaeography two centuries later. Perhaps copy of an old record. Recalls story of Visnu saving a sacrifice by stopping Sarasvati who took the shape of a stream, ARE, 1921 II 25. Tiruccandaviruttum 63, 64.
 - T Proof of Kongu conquest ARE, 1906 Il 21.

- Year 37.—*Uḍaiyārguḍi* (SA.) Maduraikoṇḍa. 96 sheep for lamp. Mentions Karpagaśadirac-ceri and *vāriganuļliṭṭa manrāḍikkalanaiyōm*. 597 of 1920.
 - " Ukkal (NA.)—Madiraikonda. Gift of village of Śodiyambākkam, to the north of Ukkal, as a dēvabhāga by the assembly of Ukkal for varions items of expenses detailed, with the remission of veffi, vediļat and vālakkāṇam, the right to punish the crimes and sins of the villagers being also vested in the temple: 'ivvārk-kudīgaļaik-kurrandēṣa-mangupāḍu dēvarēy dandīttukkolvar-āgavum.'*

30 of 1893; SII. iii. 12.

- Year 38.—Ālambākkam (Tri.)—Madiraikoņda. † Land. Dantivarma-mangalam a brahmadēya on the north bank (of the Kāvēri). 714 of 1909.
 - "Ānandamangalam (Ch.)—Madiraikoņda. Five kaļañju of gold for feeding one devotee (aḍiyār) in the Jinagirippaļļi by Vardhamānap-periyadigaļ, a disciple of Vinaiyābha-śūra-Kuravadigaļ. 430 of 1922. ‡
- Year 38. §—Kumbakāṇam (Tj.)—Madiraikonda. 250 of 1911.
 - ., Pandāravādai (Tj.)—Madiraikonda. 270 of 1923.
 - ,, Pillaippükkam (Ch.)—Maduraiyum İlamun-konda. Lamp. 170 of 1930.
 - " Śrīnivāsanallūr (Tri.) Maduraiyum Ilamum-koṇḍa. ¶ Sale of laud for lamp by Mülaparuḍai. 605 of 1904.
- * In add. and corr. to SII, iii. kurradoşam is explained as 'fine imposed on persons for defaults', and manrupodu as 'a similar fine imposed by the village assembly'. The translation of Hultzsch is as given above.
 - † No reference to taking of Ceylon in year 37. ARE. 1910 Il 16.
- I Engraved on a boulder with three groups of Jaina figures carved in a line—AKE. 1923 II. 113.
 - & From here all dated inscriptions are noted with the titles of the king.
 - I Not in the text, which only gives the title Parakesari.

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Year 38.—Śrīrangam (Tri.) — Madiraikoṇḍa. One hundred kaļañju gold for Sahasradhārā to Ranganātha.

71 of 1892; SII. iv. 518.

- " Tirukködikäval (Tj.)—Maduraikonda. Land and gold for offerings in the temple. 15 of 1931.
- " Tirunāmanallūr (SA.)—Madiraikoņda. 90 sheep for lamp by a merchant. 342 of 1902; SII. vii. 972.
- " Tiruvadi (SA.)—Madiraikonda. Lamp. 362 of 1921.
- " Tiruvāduturai (Tj.)—Madiraikoņda. Sale of land to temple by assembly of Śirrānaiceūr for money paid on account of the temple by Tirukkarraļi-piccan.

122 of 1925.

- "
 Tiruvāduturai (Tj.) Madiraikoņda. Five hundred kaļaūju of gold by Parāntaka-dēvar for constructing the temple with stone from kuḍappaḍai upwards.

143 of 1925.

- " Tiruvidaimarudār (Tj.) Madiraikonda. Mentions Immadi Sōla Pallavaraiyan and the Palangāvirinīrōdukāl. 195 of 1907.
- " Tiruridaimarudūr (Tj.) Madiraikoņda. Lamp for merit of Ariñjiyaippirāṭṭiyār. 252 of 1907.
- " Tiruvīļimiļalai (Tj.)—Madiraikoņda, 441 of 1908.
- " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Madiraikoņda. Gold for lamp by Nili, daughter of Kēšava Bhaṭṭa and wife of Ravidāsa Kramavittan of Śrī Kāmukac-cēri Pāpanac-cēri, a hamlet of Viranārāyaṇa-catm. Ten kulanju with Vadakkilšēri-Śankarappādi. 547 of 1920.
- ., Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Madiraikoņda. Gold for lamp by a native of Maļa-nādu. 596 of 1920.

- Year 38.—Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Madiraikoņda. Three vēli of landfor feeding 25 Brahmans in temple. The king remitted the taxes on this land. Tennavan Viluppēraraiyan, called 'nammaganār' by the king, had built a hall in which the assembly met. 604 of 1920.
 - " Vilāppākkam (NA.)—Madiraikoņda. The sinking of a well, by a female disciple of Aristanēmi-pidāran of Tiruppānmalai. * The 'twenty-four' of the ūr to protect the charity, a penpalli.

53 of 1900 : SII. vii. 56.

Year 39.—Grāmam (SA.)—Madicaikonda.

192 of 1906.

Tirukkaļāvār (Tj.)—Maduraikoņļa Parakēsari who alsotook Īļam. Land by a servant (peņdāṭṭi) of queen Villavan Mādēviyār. The paradai of Karugāvūr near Tirukkuḍamūkkil, a dēvadāna in Vadagarai Pāmbūr-nāḍu, get the money, take charge of the land and make it tax-free; also agree to pay a fine of 100 kalaūju for default as a body and 50 as individuals. Cultivation rights mentioned.

37 of 1910; SII. iii, 110.

- " Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Madiraikoņda. 96 sleep for a lamp. 302 of 1906.
- " Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Madiraiyum Iļamum-koņļa. Sale of laud. 341 of 1906.
- " Tirunāmanallūr (SA.)—Madicaikoņķa. Lamp by a servant of prince Rājāditya.

351 of 1902 : SIL vii. 981.

Tirunāmanallūr (SA.)—Maduraiyum İlamum-konda.

One hundred sheep for lamp by Mahādēvadīgaļ, a queen of prince Rājādītya-dēva and daughter of Ilādarāyar, for the merit of her elder brother Araiyar Rājādīttan Pugalippar-gaņdan.

363 of 1902; EL vii. p. 134. †

- Another name for Pañcapandavamalai, a Jaina centre from the Pallava period to that of Rajaraja I. ARE. 1900, paragraph 16.
- † Hultzsch says that Iladarayar was a title borne by a line of local chiefs which included Vira Coda, son of Pugalvippavarganda, perhaps the same as the elder brother Rajadittan of this record. See also El. iv. p. 139.

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- Year 39.—Tirunāmanallūr (SA.) Maduraiyum İlamum-konda. 367 of 1902; SII. vii 997. Lamp.
 - Tiruvāduturai (Tj.)-Maduraiyum Ilamum-konda. Provision by Karrali Piccan and the devakanmis of the temple for expenses on sankranti days and special bath on the two ayanasankrantis, by purchase of 3 ma of land for 8 kulanju received from Kannipuliyur Nakkan of Talikkadambür in Kär-nädu, on the north 140 of 1925. bank.
 - Tiruvaiyanı (Tj.)-Maduraiyum İlamum-konda. Lamp. 233 of 1894; SII. v. 532.
 - 143 of 1918. Tiruvaiyāmı (Tj.)—Maduraikonda.
 - Tiruvellarai (Tri.)-Madiraikonda. Gold for feeding two 11 Brahmans versed in the Vēda. 513 of 1905.
 - Year 40.—Allür (Tri.)—Maduraiyum İlamum-konda. Land. 384 of 1903.
 - Brahmadésam (NA.)-Maduraiyum İlamum-konda. 225 of 1915.
 - (Tj) Maduraiyum (Ilamum)konda. Kumbakönam 235 of 1911. Sheep for lamp.
 - Kumbakönam (Tj.)-Maduraiyum (Ilamum)konda. Two lamps to Süryadevar and other gifts. 253 of 1911.
 - (Ch.)-Madiraikond-Ilam-pugunda. Astrono- $K\bar{u}ram$ mical data corresponding to Saturday, 25th July 946 A.D. (Kielhorn). Sabhā of Kūram met at night and made a vyavasthā.

34 of 1900; SII. vii. 35; EI. vii. p. 1.

- Melappaluvār (Tri)—Madiraikonda. Reclaimed land, by 386 of 1924. purchase, for lamps.
- Puluvār (Tri.)—Maduraiyum İlanıum-konda. Gold, 30 kalañju, for lamp to Parameśvara by queen Ādittan Karrali Pirāţţi *. Mentions vidēlvidugukal. 353 of 1918.

Till now unknown. ARE. 1919 11 9.

Year 40.—*Śrirangam* (Tri.)—Maduraiyum İlamum-konda. 345 of 1918.

" Sucindram (Tv.)—(Vatteluttu)—Maduraiyum İlamumkonda. 100 sheep to Paradaiccavaiyar for two lamps in two shrines in the Tiruccivindiram temple by a merchant of Karavandapuram in Kalakkudi-nādu.

82 of 1896; EI. v. p. 43.

- " Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Maduraiyum Ilamum-koņļa. Land, for lamp. 310 of 1906.
- " Tirumiyāru (Tj.)—Maduraiyum İlamum-koṇḍa. 232 of 1894; SII. v. 531.
- "Tiruvaiyāgu (Tj.)—Maduraikoņda. Land for feeding a Brahman sumptuously every day in the Tiruvaiyāgnidaiyār temple by queen Ariñjigai, daughter of Ilādarāyar. 144 of 1918.
- Tirurellarai (Tri.)—Madiraikonda. 520 of 1905.
- Year 41—Allūr (Tri.)—Maduraiyum İlamum-konda. Provision for singing Tiruppadiyam hymns every day.

373 of 1903.

- " Grāmam (SA.)—Maduraiyum Ilamum-konda. Lamp. 184 of 1906.
- " Kilvidi (NA.)—Maduraiyum İlamum-konda. Land by purchase for upkeep of tank at Kilai-vali in Valla-nādu, a sub-division of Dāmar-kōṭṭam.

149 of 1916.

- " Lūlgudi (Tri.)—Maduraiyum Ilamum-koņda. Land for offerings. 88 of 1892; SII. iv. 535.
- " Lālguļi (Tri.)—Maduraikonda. Land for lamp.
 108 of 1929.
- " Tirumālpurum (N.A.)—Madiraiyum Ilamum-koņḍa. Sheep for lamp by Pūvan Māran of Nediyataļi in Kodungōļūr in Malai-nāḍa. 313 of 1906.
- " Tirnvāmāttūr (SA.)—Maduraiyum Iļamum-koņda. Gold for lamp. 419 of 1903.

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- Year 41.—*Tiruvišalūr* (Tj.)—Maduraiyum Ilamum-koṇḍa. Gold for lamp. 23 of 1907.
 - Tiruviśalūr (Tj.)—Maduraiyum İlamum-konda.
 328 of 1907.
- Year 8+37—Tiruvenkādu (Tj.)—Madiraikoņda. Land for offerings to Tiruvenkāttu-pernmāl by a native of Kodungölür in Malai-nādu. Mentions göšālai.

465 of 1918.

- Year 4(6) *-Kaṇḍiyār (Tj.)-Maduraiyum Ilamum-koṇḍa. Land. 15 of 1895; SII, v. 570.
 - Tiruccatturai (Tj.)—Lamp. Mentions Trailōkya Mahādēviyār. 135 of 1931.
 - The regnal year is lost or uncertain in the following:-
 - Altūr (Tri.)—Maduraiyum Ilamının-konda. Waste land, never known to have been under the plough, reclaimed and given to ārādhikkum yōgiyār. 385 of 1903.
 - Brahmadřáam (NA.)—Madiraikonda. Twenty kalañju of gold for lamp by Śōlaśikhāmani Pallavaraiyan of Nelvēli in İnga-nādu. The *ēri-vāriyap-perumakkal* were in charge of this gift. 213 of 1915.
 - Grāmam (SA.)—Madiraikonda. Gold, 10 kalañju, for lamp, by a native of Köţţāru. Sabhā of Tirumudiyñr in charge.
 740 of 1905.
 - Kalañjar (NA.)—Year 4. Maduraiyum İlanıum-konda. Land for daily offerings by the assembly of Kalañjur. 189 of 1921.
 - Kāūcīpuram (Ch.)—(Floor of the Rājasimhēśvara temple).
 Madiraikoņļa. Mentions Tirukkarrali-uņņāligai.

SII. i. 145.

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Kudumiyamalai (Pd.)—Madiraikonda. The king is also called Śōla-perumānadigaļ and Śrī Pirāntakar. Gold for a lamp by his sou Śrī (Kō)dandarāman. † 318 of 1904.

^{*} The figure is clear on the stone SII. v p. 226 n.

^{† 230} of 1903 of year 34. ARE. 1905, II. 9.

- Kumbakönam (Tj.)—Madiraikonda. Sale of land by assembly, Mülaparudaip-perumakkal, for feeding two persons in a temple. Mentions Äyirattali in Kilärkürram, a sub-division of Ten(karai)-nädu and abhiṣēkadakṣiṇai. 249 of 1911.
- Nangavaram (Tri.)—Madirai-koṇḍa. Mentions Ariñjigaicatm. and a Piḍāri temple called Kāļabhaṭāri alias Śāttanūr-nangai. 345 of 1903.
- Sendalai (Tj.)—Maduraiyum İlamum-konda. Land for offerings under protection of the sabhā and the panmähēsvarar. 14 of 1899; SII. vi. 450.
- Takkölam (NA.)—Madiraikonda. 90 sheep for a lamp by a servant of Madhurāntaka Pallavaraiyar.

253 of 1921.

- Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Madiraikonda. Gold for lamp by prince Parantakan Uttamasili. * 301 of 1906.
- Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—Parakēsari. Purchase of land with gold granted for a lamp by Piļļaiyār Uttamaśiliyār. Mentions Mahēndra-mangalam and nāṭṭuvāykkāl. 196 of 1907.

Was Uttamasīli-catm. in Pāndyakulāsani-vaļa-nādu (SII. ii p. 229) the same as Uttamasīli in the Trichi Taluq and called after this prince? ARE. 1907 II 31.

[†] Apparently a member of the royal family, not mentioned elsewhere. H. K. Sastri,

[‡] Treated as of year 3 and as the earliest reference to the conquest of Madura in ARE. 1907 II 32. But the date of this record is doubtful. The year may have been two figures of which the first is built in, and might be 1, 2, or 3. SII. iii p. 242, n. 2.

KANNARADĒVA.

S. 868—Bāgali (Bel.)—Katyēra of the Cāļukya family was governing the Kogaļi 500 and the Mā-siyavāḍi 140.

75 of 1904.

Ś. 871—Sölapuram (NA.)—Year two, perhaps of Rājāditya, acc. A. D. 948 (Hultzsch), in which Cakravarti-Kannaradēva overthrew Rājāditya and entered the Toņḍai-maṇḍalam. * Construction of a pond called Kallinangai-kulam, so called after a woman who died at Arungungam. She was the daughter of Attimallan alias Kannaradēva-piritivi-gangaraiyar.

428 of 1902; EI. vii. p. 194.

- The following inscriptions contain the description Kacciyum-Tañjaiyum-koṇḍa Kannaradeva:—
- Year 5.—Siddhulingamadam (SA.)—Land for offerings by sabhā of brahmadēyam Śirringūr. 375 of 1909. †
- Year 15.—Kūram (Ch.)—Gift by a Kūrattu Āśiriyan.

 36 of 1900; SII. vii. 37.
- Year 16.—Ukkal (NA.)—The sabhā met in the mukha-mandapa Bhuvanamāṇikka-Viṣṇugṛha, apparently to effect the sale, on conditions, of a part of the common lands of the village to some persons. A curious clause forbids any one to set up a prior claim to this land by the production of title-deeds or other evidence.

SII. iii. 7.

Yenr 17.—*Tirukkalukkungam* (Ch.)—Lamp by Kāraiyudaiyān Baladēvan *alius* Parāntakap-pēraraiyan.

169 of 1894; EI. iii. p. 284.

- Year 18.—Tiruvorriyūr (Ch.)—Opens with a Sanskrit verse mentioning Caturānana's place in the matha getting the
- The Atakur inscription dates this event in S. 872 current, A. D. 949-50, El. vi. p. 51.
 - † Spurious p. 158, ante.

- gift. Thirty kalanju of ūrkarc-cemmai-pon for lamp by the son of a merchant of Mānyakhēṭa, in the camp (kaṭaka) of the Vallabha king, deposited with the residents of Śerruppēḍu (Chetput). 177 of 1912. *
- Year 18.—Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—12½ kaļañju gold for lamp with the ūr, the samvatsara-vūriyam being responsible for its proper maintenance.

 89 of 1898; SII. vi. 374.
- Year 19.—Tirukkalukkungam (Ch.)—A person constructs an ambalam, buys some land from one Isana Siva alias Nakkadi-bhattan which he endowed as ambalappugam for supply of water and fire (tannir-atturadagkum akkini-yiquradagkum). The sabha made this land tax-free after collecting a lump sum (igni-dravyam) from him.

 170 of 1894; El. iii. p. 285.
 - malai at Vaigāvūr by a servant of Gangamādēvi, queen of Kannaradēva-pṛtigangaraiyar. 65 of 1907.
 - "

 Tirunāmanallūr (SA.)—90 Sheep for lamp.

 354 of 1902; SII. vii. 981.
 - ,, Tirunāmanallār (SA.)—90 sheep for lamp. 366 of 1902; SII. vii. 996.
- Year 20.—Tiruroggiyür (Ch.)—One hundred nişkas of pure gold by Caturanana Pandita, pupil of Niranjana-guru, for hali in temple. An account of the career of the Pandita given in the grantha part. Favourite of the Vallabha king.
- Year 22.—Tiruvorriyār (Ch.)—Gold, ūrkarc-cemmai 30 kaļañju, for lamp by the mother of the Vallabha king Kamaradēva. Perpetual interest 15%. 179 of 1912.
- Year 23, day 296.—Uttaromērūr (Ch.)—Mahāsabhā records that all the revenues which were due from Uļļiyūr to the ūr were made over to Īśvara-bhaṭṭāra of Tiruvuļļi-yūr for providing music thrice a day for śrībali. The Uḷḷiyūr people were granted sole right of managing

[•] cf. El. iv. p. 281.

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the temple without interference from any external authority (eppěrppatta-kövum pugapperādadāgavum).

41 of 1898; SII. vi. 324.

Year 25.—Uttaramerūr (Ch.)—A resolution of the village assembly relating to the levy and proper collection of fines.

77 of 1898; SII. vi. 362.

Year 27.—Takkölam (NA.)—Sheep for lamp.

2 of 1897; SII, v. 1365.

- Tiruvõttür (NA.)—50 Sheep by Kõdaņda-mangādi for a pugal-viļakku. 101 of 1900; SII. vii. 111.
- Year 28.—Kāvanār (NA.)—A vyavasthai by assembly of Kāvanār that seller and purchaser, and mortgagor and mortgagee of lands must be of the same community in case of lands being gifts to gods, physicians and ājivakas.

 159 of 1921.
- (n-d.)—Doddaśivara (Mys.) (Kan.). King's encampment at Mēlpādi after defeating and killing the Cōla king.

112 of 1899.

- " Kiljār (SA.)—Gift of Vaidumba Mahārāja Śrī Vikramāditya ruling Malādu, Vāṇakōppādi, Śingapura-nādu and Venkunga-kōṭṭam. 16 of 1905.
 - The following inscriptions mention only Kannaradeva withont any title:—
- Year 16.—*Tiruvadi* (NA.)—96 sheep for lamp to Güvindavinnagar in Adhirāja-mangalyapmra, hy Kaliyan Mangādi Aiyan alias Rājāditta Pallavaraiyar who had the kāṇi of Śembūgk-kōṭṭam. 28 of 1903; SII. viii. 300.
- Year 17.—Tirunāmunallūr (SA.)—10 kaļuāju of gold for a lamp by Narasimhavarman of the Malayakula. The sabhā and ūr of Śevalai in Vennainalhūr-nāḍn undertake to supply every year 100 nāṭi of ghī by mahādēvi measure. The expression Śevalai-sabhai-ūrōm is also used. 362 of 1902; EI. vii. pp. 135-6.

- Year 18—Siddhalingamadam (SA.)—Land in Ködiyür by assembly of Śirringūr to a dancing woman (Tiruppulippagavar nirutta-viṭanki) and her descendants for dancing before god during procession. 370 of 1909.
- Year 19—Kīļūr (SA.)—Fragment. Mentions sabhā of Nittavinodacatm. on the north bank of the Pennai in Vāṇakōppāḍi. 269 of 1902; SII. vii. 898.
- Year 20—Kilūr (SA.)—Gold, 15 kalanju, with nagaram of Tirukkovalūr for a lamp. 232 of 1902; SII vii. 859.
- Year 21—Kīṭār (SA.)—Land purchased from sabhā of Tirukkō-valūr and given to Tiruvīraṭṭānamuḍaiya Perumān-aḍigaļ by Vaidumba Mahārājan Śandayan Tiruvaiyan. * 268 of 1902; EI. vii. pp. 142-3.
- Year 22—Bāhūr (Pondicherry.)—Sale of land by sabhā for bhattavṛtti. 175 of 1902; SII. vii. 802.
 - " Bāhūr (Pondicherry.)—Lamp.

176 of 1902; SII. vii. 803.

- "Bāhūr (Pondicherry.)—Sheep by mangādis of Vākūrnādu at the rate of one sheep while 'ascending the kaṭṭil.' 177 of 1902; SII. vii. 804.
- Year 23-Kilūr (SA.)-90 sheep. 266 of 1902; SII. vii. 894.
- Year 24—Kīļūr (SA.)—2,304 sheep for 24 lamps by Vaidumba Mahārājar Tiruvayanār to Tiruvīraṭṭānattāļvār.

267 of 1902; EI, vii. p. 144.

- " Siddhalingamadam (SA.)—Gold for a gong and three trumpets to temple. 385 of 1909.
- Year 25—Grāmam (SA.)—Gift by Vaidumba Mahārāja Tiruvaiyan Śrī Kantha. 743 of 1905.
- Year 26—Bāhūr (Pondicherry.)—Placing of four stones in the wall. 172 of 1902; SII. vii. 799.
 - " Jambai (SA.)—96 sheep for lamp and gold for offerings to Sūryadēva in temple of Tiruttāntōnri-āļvār at Vāļaiyūr. 112 of 1906.
 - cf. 236-A of 1902 (SII. vii. 864) of Rajaraja 27, which quotes this gift.

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Year 26.—Kiļūr (SA.) — 100 sheep for lamp by Kōmaļam, daughter of Vānavan Mūvēndavējān.

270 of 1902; SII. vii. 899.

,, Vèlūr (NA.)—Land to Pannappēśvara built by Pannappai on the Sūdāḍu-pārai-malai ('the hill of the gambling rock,' now called Bāvāji hill) by Nulumba Tribhuvanadhīra.

10 of 1897 * SII. i. 51; EI. iv. pp. 81 ff.

Year 27—Bāhār (Pondicherry.)—Land for feeding two persons (183); and maintaining in the temple a Brahman versed in Vēda for worship and a man to supply water for the sacred bath (184).

183, 184 of 1902; SII. vii. 810, 811.

Year 28—Tirunāmanallūr (SA.)—Half-lamp.

364 of 1902; SII. vii. 994.

The regnal year is missing or uncertain in the following:-

Kiļūr (SA.) — Gold, twenty kaļanju, for snapana (bathing) to the god on every sankrānti, by Vīraṭṭan Vīranāraṇiyār, the senior queen (mūtta-dēviyār) of Vaidumba Mahārāja Tiruvaiyanār. One kalam of cleaned paddy was the interest which the sabhā of Nenmali alias Milāḍa-māṇikkam agreed to measure ont in the temple (tūyavākki kūlipparambaṭṭu tirumurrattuk-koḍu senraṭandu kuḍuppōmānōm); they were also to feed each of the persons who came to collect this paddy (innel taṇḍuvārkku meykaṇḍu). Mentions that 60 kalam by pēriṭamai was equal to 75 kalam by eṇṇālik-kāl. 235 of 1902; EI. vii. p. 143.

Tiruvannāmalai (NA.)—20 cows.

475 of 1902; SII. viii. 63.

Palaeographically same as that of Kacciyum Tukjaiyum-konda Kannara-deva. Hultzuch EI. iv. p. 82.

RĀJAKĒSARI GAŅDARĀDITYA.

See under Rājakēsari :--

Year 8—Tiruppalātturai.

570 of 1908.

" Tiruppalātturai.

574 of 1908.

Year 9-Tirunāgēšvaram.

215 of 1911.

PARAKĒSARI ARINJAYA.

See under Parakēsari :-

Year 2—Tiruppulanam.

162, 172 of 1928.

under Sundara Cöla :--

Year 12-Udaiyargudi.

572, 587 of 1920.

under Rājakēsari :-

Year 9—Tirunāgēšvaram.

215 of 1911.

under Rājarāja I :-

Year 29—Mêlpādi—Tiruvārinjiśvaram built by Rājarāja as Ārrūrtunjina-dēvarkku-paļļippadai.

86 of 1889; SII. iii. 17.

MADIRAIKONDA RĀJAKĒSARI.

Year 5.—Karikkal (NA.)—A piḍāri-kōyil erected by the wife of a Viravaļanjiyan of Mariyāḍi in Pulivala-nāḍu.

12 of 1896; EI. iv. p. 331. *

- Tiruvorriyür (Ch.)—Gift of sheep by one of the Kaleśi-Perundaram who had accompanied Udaiyār Uttamaśōla-dēva† to the temple of Tiruvorriyūr-mahādēva. 246 of 1912; SII. iii. 115.
- ,, Vēļaccēri (Ch.)—Sheep by one of the yāļungaņattar of the village. 315 of 1911; SII. iii. 114. ‡
- Year 7.—Vēļaccēri (Ch.)—Sale of land for the maintenance of a lamp in a Gaṇapati temple, newly built. "Veļiccēri Mahāsabhaiyōm emmūr brahmasthānattē kūṭṭak-kuṣaivaṛak-kūḍi-yirundu viṛkinṛa nilam."

306 of 1911; SII. iii. 116.

Year 12, day 130.—Madhurāntakam (Ch.)—Gift of land, purchased from the unappropriated common land of the village and made tax-free, to the temple of Tiruven-kāṭṭil-Paramēśvara for the long life and victory of the king.

396 of 1922.

Year 14,-Tiruppugambiyam (Tj.)-Lamp.

75 of 1897; SII. vi. 24.

Year 17.—Allar (Tri.)—Gold.

377 of 1903.

" Tirumalavādi (Tri.)—Lamp.

2 of 1920.

" Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Lamp.

307 of 1906; SII. iii. 118.

" Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Lamp.

308 of 1906; SII. iii. 117.

- * Palaeographically resembles the Tamil inscriptions of Kṛṣṇa III Rāṣṭrakūṭa, Hultzsch.
- † Son of Gandaraditya Madirai. Rajak.? Royal titles due to an early choice for succession. ARE. 1913 II 19.
- ‡ King identified with Gandaraditya. Got title from Parantaka I, father; succeeded him immediately as Rajaditya had died.—H. K. Sastri.

RĀJAKĒSARI SUNDARA CŌLA.

See under Rājakēsari :-

Year 6.—Kāvērippākkam.

382 of 1905.

under Uttama Cola:-

Year 14, day 216.—Tirumālpuram.

286 of 1906. for Ponmāligai.

under Rājarāja I :-

Year 16.—Tirumalai. A Cera queen of Parantaka II. 61 of 1899.

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Tiruvidaimarudür

159 of 1895.

Year 21.—Dādāpuram.—(daughter Kundavai).

8 of 1919.

- Year 2.—*Tiruvišalūr* (Tj.)—Rājakēsari. Land for feeding a Vēdabrāhmaņa by Pirāntakan Irungöļar *alias* Širiyavēļār of Kodumbāļūr. * Gift in charge of Mahāsabhā of Avani-nārāyaṇa-catm. 317 of 1907; *SII*. iii. 119.
- Year 4.—Tiruviśalūr (Tj.)—Rājak. Land purchased for (1)30 Ilakkāśu from the Perungurip-perumakkal of Amaninārāyaṇa-catm. by Pirāntakan Irungöļār alias Śiriyavēļār. 320 of 1907; SII. iii. 120.
- Year 5.—Tiruvišalūr (Tj.)—Sundara Coļa. Gift of some taxes (gatānaka?) for whitewashing (?) the temple, and of a lamp by Śiguvoļa described as Irungāļakula-pradīpa and Pirāntakasyātmaja-vargavarya.

40 of 1907; SII. iii. 121.

Year 7.—Tirukkaļittaļļai (Tj.) — Pāņdiyanaic-curam-irakkina
Perumāļ Śrī Sundara Cōļa-dēva. Land purchased and
made iraiyili for 156 kaļañju of red gold (śembon)
given to God Śrikudittiţiai-udaiyār of Vadagarai-Vēmbarrūr by Pirāntakan-śiriyavēļān alias Tirukkarraļipiccan, who was serving as general of the king's
forces. 291 of 1908; EI. xii. pp. 121-6.

See Rajaraja I. Year 27—116 of 1896; MV. Ch. 54 vv. 12 ff.

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- Year 12.—*Uḍaiyārguḍi* (SA.)—Rājakēsari. Land by purchase by Uḍaiyapirāṭṭiyār Viman Kundavaiyār, the *ācciyār* (nother?) of Ariōjiya-Pirāntaka-dēvar, * for bathing god with 1,000 pots of water on the sankrānti day of every month.

 572 of 1920.
 - " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Rājakēsari. Land by purchase by Ādittan Kōdaipirāṭṭiyār, queen of Ariñjigaivarman who died at Ārrūr, for bathing god during Citrai-Viṣu with 108 potfuls of water; another gift by Udaiya-pirāṭṭiyār Vīman Kundavaiyār for 1000 potfuls of water for same purpose. 587 of 1920. †
- Year 14.—Tirukkalittattai (Tj.)—Rājakēsari. Two lamps, twentyfive liakkāšu for each, by Rājādieci and Kuñjaramalli the wife and daughter of Śiriyavēļār.

299 of 1908 ‡; SII. iii. 122.

" Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Rājakēsari. Contents same as in 572-Yr. 12. 589 of 1920.

The regnal year is missing or uncertain in the following:-

Kodumbālār (Pd.)—Madhurāntaka Sundara Cōļa. Mentions Pūdi Paṭṭālagan. 139 of 1907; Pd. 82.

Tirukkalittattai (Tj.)—(Perumāl) Sundara Cōļa 'who drove the Pāṇḍya into the forest'. Mentions Pirāntakan Śigiyavēļār, a general, and Ponmāligai.

302 of 1908.

[•] i.e., Paruntaka, son of Arihjaya. cf. 589 of year 14. Viman Kundava, perhaps an E. Cajukya princess, daughter of Cajukya-Bhima II (A. 1). 934-45). This marriage is much earlier than Coja Kundava's with Vimaladitya. ARE. 1921 II 26.

[†] cf. SII. iii. 17 (86 of 1889) of year 29 of Rujaruja I. Pudi Adittan Piduri was another queen of Arahjiga. Sundara does not seem to have been the son of this dowager queen as he refers to her by name. Identity of Arau doubtful. ARE, 1921 II 26,

[‡] Wrongly assigned to Aditya II Karikala, son and successor of Parantaka II Sundara, in ARE. 1909 II 40.

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- Year 2.—Kumbakōṇam (Tj.)—Parakēsari. Sale of land by assembly for a private endowment of a lamp in the temple. 224 of 1911. *
 - " Tirumāļam (Tj.)—Pāņḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa. Mentions Kāri Puļiyan alias Śōlamārāyan, a certain Niraijana Paṇḍita and servants of the temple of Ambar Śrī-Mahākāļam.

117 of 1910. †

- Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa. Three kāśu by Araiyan Gēyaviṭankan of the Śingaļāntakatteriñja Kaikköļar for cloths to the Kūttar of the stone temple of Tiru-anantiśvaram. 557 of 1920.
- koṇḍa. 90 sheep for a lamp to Tirukkarkuḍi ‡ Paramēśvara by Irungōlakkon alias Pugalvip-piragaṇḍan Avanivallān. The dēvakanmis had to supply every day ‡ measure of ghī by the śūlavuļakku.

472 of 1908; SII. iii. 199.

- Year 3.—Kāvanār (NA.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa. Four hundred kuļi of waste land by the assembly of Kāvanūr for daily night offerings to Puli-pagava-dēva. Measuring rod called kaḍigai-kaḍattuk-kōl. A further gift of 800 kuļi, also to be reclaimed, for lamps at the three services of the deity and for keeping watch of the temple by residing near it with a guard. 160 of 1921.
 - Kumbakönam (Tj.)—Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa. Sale of land by the assembly of Śrł Kudandai to Köyil-mayilai alias Parāntaka Mūvēnda-vēļān § of Śiggingan in İngā-nāḍu, for feeding twenty apūrvis versed in the Vēda and

This is indirectly mentioned in 225 of 1911 of year 5. 4RE. 1912 II 20.

[†] Text gives year 3.

The name of the place in the Devaram.

[§] Adhikāri in charge of *iri-kāryam* in the temple of Tiruvidaimarudūr (154 of 1895, 214, 255-6 of 1907). Continued in same capacity under Uttama Cola, and was called Madhurāntaka Mūvēnda-vēlān. 'His was evidently one of the offices which were solely in charge of public charities and figanced by the state,' ARE, 1912 II 19.

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five śivayōgins in the Śri-kōyil of Tirukkil-kōţṭattuperumāl. Land called śālābhōga. 230 of 1911.

Year 3.—Kumbakönam (Tj.) — Pändiyan - talai - konda. Sale of land to Śirringanudaiyan Köyil-mayilai alias Parantaka Müvenda-velan by the mūla-parudaip-perumakkal of Tirukkudamükkil, which he presented as a bhaṭṭavṛtti to those who expounded the Prābhākaram.

233 of 1911; SII, iii. 200.

- " Tāyanūr (SA.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa. 90 sheep for a lamp. 359 of 1909. *
- " Tiruvaṇṇāmalai (NA.)—Vīra Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa. 90 sheep for a lamp. 471 of 1902; SII. viii. 59.
- " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Vira Pāņdiyan-talai-koṇḍa. Gold for two lamps by headman (kiļān) of Vaļamārvu.

588 of 1920.

- " *Udaiyārgudi* (SA.)—Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa. Sale of land to temple. 616 of 1920.
- Year 3+1.—*Tiruviḍaimarudūr* (Tj.)—'Virapāṇḍiyanai egindu talai-koṇḍa '. 256 of 1907.
- Year 4.—Kandiyār (Tj.)—Pāndiyan-talai-konda. Mentions brahmadēyam Periya-vānavan-mahādevi - caturvēdi-mangalattu yāļungaņattār. 18 of 1895; SH. v. 574.
 - "Kumbakönam (Tj.)—Pändiyan-talai-konda. Gift of 90 sheep, distributed equally between two mangādis, for a lamp by pendātti Dēvayan Palalakkan alias Avanišikhāmani of Kilai-Vēļam at Taūjāvūr, called after Udaiyapirāttiyār Kilānadigal, the mother (ācci) of Ānaimēgrunjinār. 226 of 1911; SII. iii. 201.
 - " Pundāravādai (Tj.) Pāņdiyan-talai-koņda. Land for lamp by Āśūri Āditta-pidāran Kramavittan, a member of the āļungaņam of the village Rājakēsari-catm.

236 of 1923.

Three records of Parthivendravarman also come from this place. There is no clue as to the contemporaneity of the two kings or their relation to each other. ARE, 1910 II 17.

- Year 4.—Paṇḍāravāḍai (Tj.)—Pāṇḍiyanai-talai-koṇḍa. Twenty kāśu, equal to ten kalañju, for a lamp in the temple of Tiruccēlūr-mahādēva by Nilan Tyāgi, wife of a merchant of the Tribhnvana-mādēvi Pērangāḍi at Tañjāvūr.

 241 of 1923. *
 - Šīyamangalam (NA.) Vīra Pāṇḍiyan talai koṇḍa. Mentions Śri Gangaraiyan . . . Ganga-cñḷāmaṇi etc. † 70 of 1900 ; SII. vii. 74.
 - " Tāyanūr (SA.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa. 80 sheep for lamp by a native of Maṇḍaikulattūr. 360 of 1909.
 - Tāyanūr (SA.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa. 90 sheep for lamp. Mentions Tirumunaippāḍi. 361 of 1909.
 - Tiruppurambiyam (Tj.) Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa. Land
 as Nandaranappuram to Ivvār-tiru-nandāvanam-maṇḍalan-gāppān.
 69 of 1897; SII. vi. 18.
 - gan-uḍaiyān Kōyil-mayilai, the adiyārigal in charge of (ārāykinṛa) śrīkāryam, the sabhā of Tiraimūr, the Nagarattār of Tiruviḍaimarudil and the dēvakanmis met in the theatre (nāṭakaśālai) and arranged for āriyakkūttu ‡ before the god of Tiruviḍaimarudil by setting apart one vēli of land for Kittinagaikkāḍan alias Tiruveļ-agaiccākkai, who had to dance on 7 occasions (specified) in a year and receive as korgu fourteen kalam of paddy from the treasury of the temple.

 154 of 1895; SII. iii. 202.
 - Udaiyārgudi (SA.) Pāṇdiyan talai koṇḍa. Dining utensils and money (gold) for feeding one person sumptuonsly every day. Śrikāryam-ārāyum-gaṇp-perumakkaļ in charge.
 610 of 1920.
 - " Udaiyūrgudi (SA.)—Pāṇdiyan-talai-koṇḍa. Gold for lamp by a resident of Vira-śrimukhac-cēri. Mentions Mangādikkalanai. 620 of 1920.

^{* 246} of 1923 quite similar gift by wife of another merchant.

⁺ cf. 69 of Parak. Yr. 3.

[‡] Silappadikāram iii. 12-25 and notes thereon.

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Year 4.—Ukkal (NA.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa. An endowment by a Veļala Śenai for the supply of water for six months and agniṣṭai (fire pans) for six months in the Brahmasthāna of the village. The charity was to be supervised by the members in charge of village affairs for each year (avvava-samvatsarangaļil grāma-kāryam tiruttum perumakkaļ).

32 of 1893; SII. iii. 14.

- Year 4, day 170.—Tiruvidaimarudür (Tj.)—Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa.

 Mentions Tiruvidaimarudil Ālvār śrīkāryam-ārāy-kinra adigārigaļ Śirringaṇ-uḍaiyān Kōyil-mayilai
 Parāntaka Mūvēnda-vēļān. Tiraimūr was by the
 śūdanam a kuḍinīkkidēvadāna which had to give as
 pañcavāram 256 kalam of paddy. But the paḍimārru
 (scale of expenses in the temple) showed only 160
 kalam. It was denied that the dēvadāna was kuḍinīkki. Then the adigārigal called for the original
 document making Tiraimūr a dēvadāna and found that
 it was kuḍinīkki and accordingly raised the scale of
 expenses.

 214 of 1907; SII. iii. 203.
- Year 5.—Bāhūr (Pondicherry)—Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa. Lamp. 173 of 1902; SII. vii. 800.
 - kumbakönam (Tj.)—Pändiyan-talai-konda. Sale of land by the Mühaparudaip-perumakkal of Tirukkudamükkil, a dēvadāna in Vadagarai-Pāmbūr-nādu, to the pendātti Perayan Tribhuvanasundari of the Palaiya-vēļam at Taūjāvūr for 85 kalaūju of gold which she had deposited as an endowment for feeding a Sivayögiu. The land mentioned in 224 of 1911 was one of the boundaries of this land. 225 of 1911; SII. iii. 204.
 - " Pandāravādai (Tj)—Pāndiyan-talai-konda. Money by a resident of Monoramac-ceri for offerings to the image of Ganapati Bhattaraka in the temple on the day of Ārdrā in Mārgali. Mentions the coin akkam.

275 of 1923.

" Tondūr (SA.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa. Ten sheep for lamp to Kiḍanda Perumāļ by Śūramittirap-peru-

mangādi, son of Irugannan residing at Kilvali-Tondur in Singapura-nādu. 282 of 1916.

The regnal year is missing or uncertain in the following:-

Tiruvaiyāru (Tj) — Vīra Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa. 96 sheep for a lamp by a man of the Tribhuvana-mādēvi-yār-vēļam; also a lamp-stand, tarā-nilai-viļakku.

240 of 1894 : SII. v. 539.

Tiruvannāmalai (NA.)—Vira Pāndiyan-talai-konda. 96 sheep for lamp. 469 of 1902 *; SII. viii. 57.

Tiruviqaimarudūr (Tj)—Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa. Land for maintaining the campaka flower-garden laid out by Tiruvēngaḍattu-piccan. 249 of 1907.

See under Rājakēsari :--

Year 2—Udaiyargudi.—

577 of 1920.

^{*} Text gives year 4.

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- Ś. 892—Kaļambūr (NA.) No name of king. Lamps to Kalikēsari * Viņņagar-dēvar by the assembly of Kaļamūr. 246 of 1909.
- Year 2.—Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa. All temple lands owned to date made tax-free by the assembly of Aiñjaśṭaśam in lieu of the amount of gold, 86¾ kaḷañju, which it owed to the temple. Also sabhā to manage temple affairs by its vāriyam, a gaṇam being forbidden.

 195 of 1915.
 - " Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyan-talai koṇḍa Kō-Mahārāja. † Fifteen kalanju gold with gaṇapperumakkal for a lamp by a merchant of Tiruvēkambaccēri. 223 of 1915.
 - " Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Vīra Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa-partmamahārājar. Land made tax-free by the sabhā; the ūr were not to collect any dues.

88 of 1898; SII. iii. 152.

Year 3.—Takkōlam (NA.)—Mentions a couch (tiruppallik-kattil) given to the Tiruvūral-āļvār by Arumoļi-nangai, the queen of the king (Udaiyār).

7 of 1897; SII. iii. 166.

- " Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Records the building of the temple and the enclosing verandah by the Virāṭa king Anayaman alias Paramaṇḍalāditya. 267 of 1906.
- " Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Gold for lamp by Nārāyaņa Kramavittau alius Vaidumbar-āditta-brahmādhi-rājau. 304 of 1906; SII. iii. 165.

Was Kalikësari a title of P. ? cf. 676 of 1904-Yr. 5. ARE. 1910 II 59.

[†] This supports the identification of this king with Rujamurayar. ARE. 1916, II. 78.

- Year 3.—Tiruppārkkadal (NA.)—Mentions a meeting in the abhisēkamandapa of the big temple of the locality (ivvūrperiya-tali) at which were present the Mahasabha of Kāvirippākkam alias Amaninārāyana-catm., including the members for the year of the samvatsara-, totta-, ēri-, kaļani-, pañcavāra-, kaņakku-, kalingu-, and tadivali-vāryiams, the śri-vatavi-nāranap-perumakkal, Pallavan Pirammādarāyan who was ruling the town and the superintendent (kankāni) (\vec{u}r-\vec{a}tkinra), Arumbākkiļān. The trustees of the temple made a submission to the meeting that a garden and field of the arcanābhūga of Tirukkarapurattu Perumān were silted owing to breaches in the river and lying waste; the kalani-vāriyam were then directed by the assembly to give 1400 kuli of land from the village 692 of 1904; SII. iii. 156. mañjikkam. *
 - drādhipati-varman. The Perunguri-sabhā gave land to Śrī-bṛndāvanattu-perumānaḍigaḍ for tiruccennaḍai, nandāviļakku and arcanābhōgam.

73 of 1898; SII. iii. 153.

" Uttaramērār (Ch.)—Vīra Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa-Pārthivēndra Ādittaparumarkku. † Land by sabhā after taking pūrvācāram to Tiruvāyppādip-perumānaḍigaļ for tiruccennaḍai, lamp, śrībali and arcanābhōga.

38 of 1898; SII. iii. 158.

" Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyanai-talai-koṇḍa. Iraiyili land by Perunguri-sabhā after taking pūrvūcūram to Aiyan-mahāśāsta, in the south of the city.

15 of 1898; SII. iii. 167.

" Uttaramērūr (Ch)—Pāṇḍiyanai-talai-koṇḍa. Igaiyili land by Perungugi-sabhā after taking pūrvūcūrum to Kurukṣētra-dēva. 16 of 1898; SII. iii. 160.

^{*} This corresponds to modern 'poromboke' and the assemblies had the disposal of it—H. K. Sastri.

[†] This 'undoubtedly refers to Parthivendravarman' and 'may establish the king's possible connection with the Cola Adityavarman' (Aditya II). H. K. Sastri.

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Year 3.—Uttaramērūr (Ch.) — Vīra Pāṇḍiyanai - talai - koṇḍa. Land by Perunguri-sabhā to temple after taking pūrvācāram. This land was part of the land escheated to the village owing to default in payment of dues, (iraiyirādu ūrnōkki viļunda pūmi).

17 of 1898; SII. iii. 162.

" Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Vīra Pāṇḍiyanai-talai-koṇḍa. Land by Perunguri-sabhā as vyākhyāvṛtti to a person teaching the Vyākaraṇa-śāstra in the town.

18 of 1898; SII. iii. 161.

" Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyanai-talai-koṇḍa. Land by sabhā to Tiruppulivanam-uḍaiyār.

19 of 1898; SII. iii. 154.

- Perunguri-sabhā make a list of lands belonging to Tirumālirunjölaip-perumānadigal of the town, (nammūr).

 21 of 1898; SII. iii. 163.
- uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Vīra Pāṇḍiyanai-talai-koṇḍa. The sabhā declare tax-free some lands of Durgā-bhaṭṭāraki, after accepting as pūrvācāram the gold due as interest (poli-ponnēy) on account of the documents (kaiyeʾuttu) of this Bhaṭṭāraki and of the sabhā of Dāmōdarac-cērì.

 22 of 1898; SII. iii. 159.
- " Uttaramērur (Ch.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyanai-talai-koṇḍa. The Perungnṛi-sabhā gave land as iṛaiyiti after taking pūrvūcūram to Jyēṣṭhā at Kumaṇpāḍi.

23 of 1898; SII. iii. 169.

" Uttaramērār (Ch.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyanai-talai-koṇḍa. Land by sabhā likewise to Kumaṇpāḍi Kilai-śri-kōyil.

25 of 1898; SII. iii. 168.

" Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyanai-talai-koṇḍa. The Perungnṛi-sabhā gave igaiyili land for amudu, lamp and arcanū to Mahāviṣṇukkaļ.

26 of 1898; SII. iii. 164.

Year 3, day 119.—*Uttaramērūr* (Ch.)—Pāṇḍiyan - talai - koṇḍa Pārthivēndrādhipati-varman. The Perunguri-sabhā

made *iṛaiyili* some land of Śri-Gövardhanattuperumānadigaļ. 13 of 1898; SII. iii. 157.

Year 3, day 173—*Uttaramērūr* (Ch.)—Pāṇḍiyan - talai - koṇḍa. Land made *iṛaiyili* by the Perunguri-sabhā which got pūrvācāram from some person.

60 of 1898; SII. iii. 155.

- Year 4.—Takkōlam (NA.)—96 sheep for lamp to image of Durgā in the temple of Tiruvūral-ālvār by a native of Mahārājapāḍi (E. of Kōlār, including parts of Cuddapah and Chittoor).

 14 of 1897; SII. iii. 173.
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 Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyanai-talzi-koṇḍa Pārthivēndrādhipati-varman. Tax-free land purchased from
 the Perunguri-sabhā and given as śrī-bali-bhāga to
 Subrahmanya-bhatāra of the town.

55 of 1898; SII. iii. 171.

- " Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyanai-talai-koṇḍa Pārthivēndrādhipati-varman. Land given by Perungugisabhā as iraiyili arcanābhūga to a certain bhaṭṭa after taking pūrvācāram from a merchant of Kāncīpuram 24 of 1898; SII, iii, 170.
- " Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Pāṇḍiyanait-talai-koṇḍa. 180 kuļi of land given to Gaṇapati in the temple of Kōnērinangai at Kumaṇpāḍi and recorded by Mahāsabhā.

27 of 1898; SII. iii. 172.

- Year 5.—Tāyanūr (SA.)—Land at solar eclipse for five persons providing music for śrībali in the temple of Taṇak-kamalai Mahādēva at the request of the residents of Tāyanūr made to Nilagangaraiyan Aṇṇāvan Nāṭṭaḍigal.

 362 of 1909; SII. iii. 178.
 - Tāyanūr (SA.)—A declaration that a certain document (ölai) was lost, that two persons had received their full dues on a loan of 30 kalanju which, apparently, with interest, had become 45 pon and that if they recovered the lost document at some future date, they should treat it as invalid (dead).

364 of 1909; SII. iii. 175.

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Year 5.—Tirumullaiväyil (Ch.)—Mentions sabhā of Kalikēsaricatm. (name of Tirumullaiväyil?) a tan-kūrrudēvadānam in Pular-köṭṭam.

676 of 1904; SII, iii, 174. *

- " Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyanait-talai-koṇḍa. Record by Perunguri-sabhā. Iraiyiti land set apart as viṣaharabhōga to be enjoyed by persons appointed to the place by the sabhā. 36 of 1898; SII. iii. 177.
- " Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Pāndiyanai talai konda. Iraiyili land to temple by sabhā after taking pūrvācūram.

28 of 1898; SII. iii. 179.

Year 6.—Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Land for feeding one Brahmau versed in the Vēda. The great men of the assembly of Aiūjaṣṭaśam of Tiruvēkambapuram in Rājamallacatm. made the land tax-free and placed the charity in the charge of the members of the gaṇavāriyam.

208 of 1915.

" Pāḍi (Ch.)—Sale of land from the sabhā-mañjikkam to temple by sabhā of Kuraṭṭūr alias Parāntaka-catm. in Ambattūr-ērik-kīl-nāḍu of the Pulāl-kōṭtam.

225 of 1910; SII. iii. 181.

- " Podavūr (Ch.)—Land for lamp by Tennavan Mādēviyār.
 69 of 1923.
- " Tiruvadandai (Ch.) Parakėsari Vėndrādivarman. Twelve kaljanju for lamp by a native of Taiyūr or Talasayanapuram. 269 of 1910; SII. iii. 180.
- " Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Pāṇḍiyanai-talai-koṇḍa Pārthivēn-drādhipati-varman. Land set apart, after purchase as śrī-bali-bhōga to Tiruvunnaŭrp-perumānaḍigaļ.

20 of 1898; SII. iii. 182.

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 Ultaramērār (Ch.)—Land as iraiyili for tiruccennadai
 to Kurukṣētra-dēva of the town, by the Perungurisabhā.
 37 of 1898; SII. vi. 320.
- Perhaps the king of this record is different and earlier in time, as the record is very archaic—H. K. Sastri.

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- Year 7.—Takkōlam (NA.)—96 sheep for lamp to Tiru-vūral-ālvār.

 The phrase 'neyyennai' occurs in this record (as in some others).

 4 of 1897; SII. iii. 184.
 - " Uttaramērūr (Ch.) Pāṇḍiyanait-talai koṇḍa. The Perunguri-sabhā declare some land of the Kuruk-ṣētrattu-perumānaḍigaļ to be tax-free, after getting pūrvācāram from a person.

79 of 1898; SII. iii. 183.

- Year 8.—Tiruvaqandai (Ch.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa Kō-vi-Rājamārāyar. A record of the sabhā and ūr of Tiruvaḍavandai. Gift of an image of Maṇavāḷapperumāḷ totemple of Varāhasvāmin by two Brahman residents of Talaśayanapuram alias Taiyūr; and also of gold for offerings. 264 of 1910; SII. iii. 186.
- Year 9.—Anaikkaṭṭāttūr (NA.)—The ūr of Anai Akkaraippūdūr give to Āditta-dēva, belonging to emmūr vaikhānasan Kalinīkki-bhaṭṭan, some land and a house to the south of the temple as arcanābhōga. The land given is described thus: "emmūr viļaivu-paṭṭiyil dēva kuṭṭai-yum uṇangaṛ-piḍiyum."

288 of 1895; SII. iii. 187.

" Kāṭṭūr (Cn.)—Pārthivēndrādi-Adhipati-varman. Sale of land as taṇṇīrppaṭṭi by ūr to Paṭṭaiyanār, the mēnāyakam (superintendent) of the Perundaram, who built the ambalam of this village.

252 of 1912; SII. iii. 188.

" Madurumangalum (Ch.)—Sheep for lamp by Olôka-Mahārāyar to temple of Olôkamahārāyar-Tiruccirrambalattāļvār at Maļalai-mangalam in Maṇayir-kōṭṭam.

320 of 1909; SII. iii. 189.

- " Podavūr (Ch)—Sale of land, free of taxes, by ūravar to Patti, brother of Tennavan-mādēviyār, who had the proprietory right over the village (ivvūr jivitam) of Mērpiḍavūr in Puriśai-nāḍu. 68 of 1923.
- Year 10.—Takkölam (NA.)—Kö Pārthivēndrādhipati varman.
 The sabhā of Rājamāttāṇḍa-catm. Manayir-köṭṭattu

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Tiruvūralpurattu tan-kūrru) accepted from Kumaradinangai, the daughter of Nandinangai, herself the daughter of Tiruvūral-dēvanār, gold weighing 92 kalaūju (by dharmakkaṭṭalai-eḍai?) to be used for offerings to Kaligai-viṭanka, set up by Kumaradinangai in the Iraṇa-śinga-virar-pallilk-kaṭṭil-maṇḍapam in the temple of Tiruvūral-dēvar. Mentions 92 kāḍi of paddy by marakkāl Kavāramoļi.

13 of 1897; SII. iii. 190.

Year 10.—*Tirumālpuram* (NA.)—Vīra Pāṇḍiyan - talai-koṇḍa Pārthivēndrādi-varman. 96 sheep for a lamp to Gōvindapāḍi-dēva by Vāṇarāja Aḷagamaiyan.

327 of 1906; SII. iii. 192.

Wêlacceri (Ch.)—Land for offerings to the temple of the Seven Mothers by a native of Mala-nāḍu, a sub-division of Sōla-nāḍu.

316 of 1911; SII. iii. 191.

Year 11.—Kadalūr (SA.)—Lamp by Nagarattār. 281 of 1915.

Kāram (Ch.)—Sale of land tax-free by the ālum-sabhai to a person for building a rest-house (ambalam) and for the supply of water in it during summer.

105 of 1923.

Year 11, day 324.—Uttaramērūr (Ch.) — Pārthivēndrādhipativarman. Land given by the queen (Uḍaiyār-dēviyār) Villavan-mahūdēviyār to the image set up by her and to the temple for śrībali and arcanābhōga, 2920 kuļi; the mahāsabhā take pūrvācāram and make the land tax-free; the śraddhāmantas were to enforce the proper maintenance of the charities; they had power to levy a fine up to 25 kaļañju for default.

32 of 1898; SII, iii. 193.

Year 12.—Kāncīpuram (Ch.)—Fifty kaļanju of gold by Danmaponnār alias Trailokya Mādēviyār, the queen of Perumānadīgal; and 200 kādi of paddy to be supplied as interest on this amount at 4 per kaļanju. Money deposited with the ūr of Tiraiya-mangalam.

17 of 1921.

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Year 12.—*Tirumālpuram* (NA.)—Anaiyaman Paramaṇḍalādittan, called Virāṭarāja, built a *maṇḍapa* in the temple.

323 of 1906; ARE. 1907 II. 65.

" Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Gift by Virāṭa king (Anaiyaman's son?) for feeding fifteen Brahmans daily.

324 of 1906.

- " Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Pārthivēndrādhipati-varman. Land. 69 of 1898.
- Year 12, day 184—Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Land by Višuddhamatipaṇḍitar for abhiṣēka to god. The gaṇapperumakkal of the kōyil-vāriyam had to supervise this.

241 of 1915.

day 326—Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Pārthivēndrādhipati-varman. Land, after purchase from the farmers of the town, given to god of the Śrī-Veļi-viṣṇugrha built at Uttaramērūr by Kongaraiyar, for music at śrībali (śrībali - koṭṭuvadarkku) by queen (Tambirāṭṭiyār) Tribhuvana-mahādēviyār. The sabhā took pūrvā-cāram from the same queen and made the land iraiyili. The śraddhāmantas had power to fine defaulting persons 25 kaļañju each.

49 of 1898 : SII. iii. 194.

- Year 13.—Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Thirty kajañju gold for maintaining the abhiṣēka-brāhmaṇa by a daily wage and two cloths in every six months; endowment by Mūvā-yiravan Trairājya Ghaṭikā Madhyasthan. Kaļañju is equated with niṣka. The gaṇapperumakkal for each year in charge.

 197 of 1915.
 - "Kāncīpuram (Ch.)—Fifty kaļanju of gold by queen Danmaponnār alias Trailokya-mādēviyār. Residents, ur. of Pannaippuram, were required to supply 100 kādi of paddy as interest to the temple, 18 of 1921.
 - " Kāncipuram (Ch.)—Thirty kaļanju by same queen to residents (ur) of Pondur for one lamp. Measure: ūragattu-ningār-kādak-kīļ-nāļi. 19 of 1921.

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- Year 13.—Kāvanūr (NA.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa Pārthivēn-drādhipati-varman. Sale of 1000 kuļi of land by assembly of Kāvanūr to a person who gave it for the maintenance of a tank. Measuring rod: kaḍigai-kaḷattuk-kūl.
 - " Kiliyanūr (SA.)—Twenty-five sheep for lamp by a certain daņḍanāyaka. 157 of 1919.
 - " Tirumūlpuram (NA.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyan-talai-koṇḍa Pārthivēndrādi-varman. Twenty-five kalañju of gold for two lamps left with sabhā of Pattālam alias Elunūrruvacatm. by Vajjavai-mahādēviyār, daughter of Nandivarma Kāḍupaṭṭigal; (perhaps the queen of P.)

266 of 1906; SII. iii. 197.

" Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Land, 2000 kuļi, by purchase, for feeding a Brahman in a maţha at Śigriyāggūr. The donor was Perumāļ-pigakēgum-ānaiyāļ Mannan Kannan alius Vāraņappēraraiyan.

328 of 1906; SII. iii. 198.

Tirumullaiväyil (Ch.) — Pārthivēndrādhipati-varman. Viļattūr-kiļavan Śingaļa Vira-nāraņan, a native of the Cōļa country, gave ninety sheep for a perpetual lamp to the Mahādēva of the village, a dēvadāna in Puļar-kōṭṭattu Veļļaiyūr-nāḍu.

683 of 1904; SII. iii. 196.

- Queen (Perumānadigaļ nambirāttiyār) Tribhuvana Mahādēvi gave 192 sheep, for two lamps, to the Perumānadigaļ of the Kongaraiyar Śrīköyil, distributed equally between the Veļļāļar of Panmaic-cēri and the merchants (viyāpārigaļ) of Naduvilangādi. Stops rather abruptly with the clause: "Ivvitta ādu kadaikkāvā-vidil anrāl-kōvukku dēvaradiyārē nišada-mañ-jādip-pon da....." 52 of 1898; SII. iii. 195.
 - Vengalattūr (NA.)—Land to temple. 94 of 1921.
- Year 13, day 120.—Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Thirty kaļañju of gold by Caturan Mūvāyiravan Trairājya Ghaṭikā-Madhyas:

than. It was placed under the charge of Gaṇavāriyap-perumakkaļ of Rājamalla-catm. subject in case of default, to a fine to be levied by the Śraddhāmantar. Mentions dhanmakkaṭṭaṭai-tuṭai-nirai.

194 of 1915.

Year 15.—Parandūr (Ch.)—Tax-free gift of land for maintenance of seven musicians for service during śribali.

75 of 1923. *

^{*} cf. pp. 180-181 ante.

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- Year 2.—Kuhūr (Tj.)—Land by purchase for offerings and worship to Āditta Īśvaram Uḍaiyār. 287 of 1917.
 - " Tiruviļakkuḍi (Tj.)—Remission of taxes on temple land by the asembly of Viḍēlviḍugu-catm. for 50 kūśu received from some Karikāla-śōlat-teriñja-kaikkōļar.

136 of 1926. *

Year 3.—Minjūr (Ch.)—(Verse) Madhurāntaka. Temple of Śōlakulasundara-Viṇṇagar constructed in this year by one Kēśavan Karukkaikkōn for god Ālivalak-kēśava.

134 of 1916.

Year 4.—Kumbaköṇam (Tj.)—Parakēsarivarman. Sale of land by the Mülaparudai of Tirukkudamūkkil for a lamp in a temple in the name of Kāri Kolamban, a Kaikkölan.

245 of 1911; † SII. iii. 129.

- of 400 kaļanju for holding offerings to god, presented by Ayyan Mārasingan § alias Vīrasēkhara Mūvēndavēļān.
- " Tiruvilakkudi (Tj.)—Parakēsarivarman. Two kāśu to the temple by Panaiyan Kōdaṇḍan, one of the Ilaiyavāl-perra-kaikkōlar. 125 of 1926.
- Year 5.—Vilanagar (Tj.)—Land, by purchase, for offerings at ardhayāma service to Tirunāļarkōyil Mahādēva at Viļainagar, a brahmadēya on the south bank, by Oraṭṭaṇan Śōrabbaiyār, the chief queen (agramahādēvi-yār) of king Uttama Cōļa. Mentions the stream Neriyuḍaiccōlap-pērāru. 165 of 1925.
- Year 6.—Könērirājapuram (Tj.)—Land for lamp to Ādityēśvaram § -uḍaiya Mahādēva at Tirunallam.

638 of 1909; SII. iii. 130.

Date may be April 12, A. D. 969. ARE. 1926 App. E and II 17.

^{† 22}nd April, A. D. 975. ARE. 1912 Il 20.

[‡] Perhaps so called after Ganga Marasimha ARE. 1926 II 18.

[§] After Gandaraditya I ?

- Year 6.—Palanköyil (NA.)—Parakēsarivarman. Village Ōdiyamballam given as a tax-free dēvadāna to Mahādēva at Tiruppalan-gölūr by Kampaṇan Irāman alias Uttama-śōla Piridi-gangaraiyan, chief of Pangala-nāḍu * in Palkunra-kōṭṭam, with the consent of the king got while he was at Kāūclpuram. Mentions a Minavanōm Mūvēndavēlān as the vāśal-kēlvi. 352 of 1925.
 - Tiruvadandai (Ch.) Parakēsarivarman. Lamp to Maņavāļa Perumāļ* to be maintained with ‡ measure of oil every day as interest on 30 kaļanju of gold accepted by the ūr of Tiruvadavandai; who undertook never to remit the interest in cash (pon) on pain of a daņdam at the dhanmāsana of 4‡ kāņam and a manrupādu of 1 manjādi pon to the ruling king (anrāļkovukku) for every day of default. The oil was to be given regularly to the Tiruvuṇṇāligai-vāriyar.

268 of 1910 : SII. iii. 125.

- Year 8. ‡—Kumbaköṇam (Tj.)—Parakēsarivarman. Sheep for lamp by one perhaps of Uḍaiyār-Gaṇḍarādittat-teriñja-kaikköļar. 229 of 1911; SII. iii. 131.
 - " Kumbakönam (Tj.)—Parakēsarivarman. Sheep. Mentions Śri-Uttamaśōla-nambirāṭṭiyār. 234 of 1911.
 - " Tiruveņkādu (Tj.)—Parakēsarivarman. Land for lamp by a queen of Uttama Cola. 486 of 1918.
- Year 9.—Kandiyūr.—(Tj.)—Lamp and offerings on the birthdays of the donor, Puduvūrudaiyān Māyan Kānjanan alias Villavan Mūvēndavēļān, to Tirukkandiyūr Virattanattu Mahādēva.

 13 of 1895; SII. iii. 134.
- Year 10.—Nallūr (Tj.)—An enquiry into the affairs of the temple of Mahādēva at Nallūr by Mānakkurai-Vīranārāyaṇa-
- In the Bana country. The chief was perhaps the son and successor of Prthivipati II. ARE. 1925 II 11,
- † This image was presented to the temple of Varahadeva by Rajamarayar. 264, 266 of 1910 ARE. 1911 II 19.
 - 1 30 Jan; A. D. 579. ARE. 1912 II 20.

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nār under orders of the king, Śrikāryam ārācciyil udaiyār tirumugam koduvandu.

41 of 1911; SII. iii. 136.

- Year 10.—*Uḍaiyārguḍi* (SA.)—(Grantha). Building of the sabhā by Nambiyenbān and land for feeding 100 Brahmans in that hall. 578 of 1920.
- Year 11.—Tirukköḍikāval (Tj.) Parakēsarivarman. Construction by Śembiyan-mahādēviyār, with stone, of Śrīvimāna of the temple, an old brick structure, and re-engraving of old inscriptions that lay scattered on the walls of the temple. One of them is a Māranjadaiyan record (4+9 yr.) containing a gift of Varaguṇa-mahārāja.

 36 of 1931.
- Year 12.—Gövindaputtür (Tri.)—Land, made tax-free, by Śēkkilän Araiyan Sankaranārāyaṇan alias Śōla-muttaraiyan of Kāvannūr to the temple of Śrī Kailāyattu Paramasvāmi at Periya-vānavan-mahādēvi-catm.

158 of 1929.

" Gūvindaputtūr (Tri.)—Parakēsari. Ambalavan Paļuvūrnakkan alias Vikramašūļa-mārāyan, * the perundaram of Uttama Cūļa-dēva, built of stone the Śrī-vimāna of the temple at Vijayamaugalam in Periyavānavanmahādēvi-catm., a brahmadēya on the north bank.

165 of 1929.

- " Gövindaputtür (Tri.)—Parakēsari. Sheep for lamp by Aparāyitan Seyyavāymaņi, wife of Ambalavan Paļuvūrnakkan alias Vikramašoļa-mārāyan of Kuvaļālam, who erected the stone temple. 166 of 1929.
- " Gövindaputtür (Tri.)—Parakēsari. Sheep for lamp by Kānci-Akkan, wife of Vikramasõla Märäyar (See 166). 167 of 1929.
- " Mělappaluvūr (Tri.)—96 sheep for lamp in the northern shrine of the Mahādēva temple at Avani-Kandarpa-lívara-grham, a dēvadāna in Mannup-perumbaluvūr in Kunra-kūrram.

 379 of 1924.

^{*} Figures also in 168, 163 and 160 of years 3, 7 and 7 respectively of Rājarāja I. See also 164 of year 14 Uttama Cola.

- Year 12.—Sembiyanmahādēvi (Tj.)—Parakēsari. Money to be deposited with the caturvēdi-bhaṭṭattānap-perumakkaļ, for offerings on birthday of Śembiyan-mahādēviyār, by five queens of Uttama Cōṭa, Paṭṭan Dānatongi, Maṭapāḍi Tennavan mādēviyār, and Vānavan mahādēviyār, daughter of a certain Irungōṭar, and the daughters of Vilupparaiyar and Paṭuvēṭṭaraiyar. 494 of 1925.
- Year 12.*—*Tiruviļakkuļi* (Tj.)—Parakēsari. Remission of taxes by assembly of Vidēlvidugu-catm. on lands purchased by Ayyan Mārasingan *alias* Vīrasēkhara Mūvēndavēļān for lamp and for water from the Kāvēri.

112 of 1926.

- " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Parakēsari. Land for feeding five Brahmans every day and a perpetual lamp in the temple by Adigal Paluvēṭṭaraiyar Gandan Sundara-śōlan for the merit of his younger brother Gandan Śatrubhayan-karanār. 592 of 1920. †
- Year 13. ‡ —Kumbakāṇam (Tj.)—Parakēsari. Gift of land by Vīranārāyaṇiyār, daughter of....... and Nambirāṭṭiyār of Śrī Uttamaśōlar, for providing garlands of flowers to the Tirukkil-köṭṭattup-perumāl temple. The land was sold to the donor by the mūlaparuḍai of

240 of 1911; SII. iii. 137.

Year 13. § and Kali 4083— *Tiruviḍaimarudūr* (Tj.)—Mentions Perungurip of Kaūjanūr *alias* Simhaviṣṇu-catm., a *brahmadēya* in Vaḍagarai-nallārrūr-nāḍu.

265 of 1907; SII. iii. 138.

[•] February 16, A. D. 980 (?) ARE. 1926 App. E. and II 17.

[†] Uttama Cola was the only Parak. in this period who ruled over ten years; hence all Parak, records from this place with years 10 to 16 may be his. The name of the feudatory given here, perhaps taken from Parantaka II, also leads us to give this Parak, a place among his successors. ARE, 1921 II 29. See also Viddhacalam under Parak. 12.

^{1 9}th June, A. D. 982 ARE. 1912 II 20.

⁴ A. D. 981-2 ARE, 1908 II 53.

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- - " Gövindaputtür (Tri.)—Parakēsari. Ambalavan Paļuvūrnakkan alias Vikramašõļa-mārāyan, the perundaram of Uttamašõļa, built of stone the Śrī-vimāna of the temple of Vijayamangalattu-mahādēva, and made a gift to it of the village of Neduvāyil. 164 of 1929. †
 - ., Tirumullaiväyil (Ch.)—(modern Characters). Gift of land, purchased tax-free for 80 pon from the sabhā of Ambattūr, by Tanriratta-mahādēviyār Śembiyan Mahādēviyar, queen of Gaṇḍarāditta-perumāļ and daughter of Malavaraiyar.

669 of 1904; SII. iii. 141; MCC. Mag. ix. p. 109.

" Tiruvadi (SA.)—96 sheep for lamp in the nāṭakaśālaimaṇḍapa in the temple erected by Attāman Ayyāran alias Kaṇḍatōļ Gaṇḍappayyan of Pūngunram.

398 of 1921.

- " Tiruviļakkudi (Tj.) Parakēsari. Silver vessel, weighing thirty *lļakkāśu*, for water offering (tannār-amudu) to deity during the worship. Gift by Ayyan Mārasingan. (See 112 of year 12). 113 of 1926.
- Year 14, day 216.—Tirumālpuram (NA.).—Kō-nōn-inmaikoṇḍān.
 Gift of a village. Śirriyārrūr in Maṇaiyil-nāḍu, a subdivision of Maṇaiyil-kōṭṭam had been granted as a
 dēvadāna and brahmadēya in the 21st year of Toṇḍamānārrūr-tunjina Uḍaiyār, to the sabhā of Puduppākkam, a brahmadēya of Puriśai-nāḍu in the same
 kōṭṭam. Though a śāsana was drawn up in the next

^{*} Son of Vikramakësari of Kodumbājūr (Venkayya) ARE. 1908 II 88, 91, quoted also by H. K. Sastri.

[†] The Sanskrit part of the record says that he got the title Vikramasõlamahārāya from the king, proof that Vikrama Cola was a title of Uttama Cola. ARE, 1929 II 29.

year, the village was not entered in the accounts as a dēvadāna and brahmadēya. This mistake 'was rectified in the fourth year of Parakësarivarman who took Madurai and Îlam,' and the sabhā of Puduppākkam were remitting the produce and gold due from them to the Mahadeva temple at Tirumalperu. 36th year of the king last mentioned, the dues from Puduppäkkam were increased as the result of a fresh grant; the village assembly did not remit the new items properly, and the temple anthorities lodged a complaint to the king when he was in the groundfloor (ādi-bhūmi) of the pon-māļigai within his palace (nam-viţţin-uḷḷāl) at Kāncipuram. The king after due enquiry fined the village assembly and restored the grant to the temple. Interesting details of administra-286 of 1906; SII. iii. 142.* tive procedure given.

- Year 15.—Kāñcīpuram (Ch.)—Mentious Tirumayāna-purattukkaḍavuļ-sabhai who accept an endowment of gold for a lamp. 2 of 1906.
 - "Śembiyanmahādēvi (Tj.)—Parakēsari. Gift of lands for offerings and worship in the temple of Kailāsamudaiya-mahādēva built by Udaiyapirāṭṭiyār Madhurāntakan Mādēvadigaļār alias Śembiyan-mādēviyār, mother of Gaṇḍan Madhurāntaka-dēvar alias Uttama Cōļa-dēva, by Uraṭṭayan Śōrabbaiyār alias Tribhuvana-mādēviyār, queen of Uttama Cōļa, who purchased, for the purpose, some land to supplement her own.

485 of 1925.

" Sembiyanmahādēvi (Tj.)—Parakēsari. List of articles required for worship etc., on sankrānti days for which provision was made by Uraṭṭayan Śōrabbaiyār, the mūtta-nambirāṭṭiyār of Uttama Cōṭa.

488 of 1925.

- " Sembiyanmahādēvi (Tj.) Parakēsari. Gold forehead plate for the image of the deity by Paṭṭan Dānaton-giyār, queen of Uttama Cōļa. The village with the
- * See Introduction to this record by H. K. Sastri for the reasons for assigning it to Uttama Cola.

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temple of Kailāsamuḍaiyār was founded by Śembiyan Mahādēvi, as a brahmadēya in Aļa-nāḍu on the south bank.*

490 of 1925.

- Year 15.—*Sembiyanmahādēvi* (Tj.)—Parakēsari. Fly-whisk with a gold handle by Pañcavan Mahādēviyar, queen of Parak. Uttama Cöļa. 491 of 1925.
 - " Śembiyanmahādēvi (Tj.) Parakēsari. 507½ kaļañju by a lady (queen?), Kaṇṇapparaśiyār alias Sonnamahādēviyār, for offerings on the day of Kēṭṭai in Cittirai, the birthday of Śembiyan Mahādēviyār, the founder of the temple and the village. The money was to be in the charge of Caturvēdi-bhaṭṭattānapperumakkaļ. 492 of 1925.
 - " Tiruvorriyār (Ch.)—An image of Śrībali-dēva, eight bugles (kāļam) and 24 fly whisks with gold handles made by order of Uttama Cōļa, (dēvarāyamey-koṇḍu ponnāl šeyvittuk-koḍukka). Mentions an officer Śenniyeripalaic-cōḷan-Uttamaśōḷan.

166 of 1912; SII. iii, 143.

- Year 16.—Āduturai (Tj.)—Temple of Āpatsahāyēśvara built by the mother of Śri-Madhurāntaka-dēva alias Śrī Uttama Cōļa. Mentions the name Tirukkurangāḍuturai for the place; and the re-engraving on the new structure of worn-out inscriptions mentioning endowments to the shrine.

 357 of 1907; SII. iii. 144.
 - " Mēlappaļuvār (Tri.)—Provision for lamp in temple by Paļuvētjaraiyar Kaṇḍan Magavanār. 395 of 1924.
 - "Sembiyanmahādēvi (Tj.)—Parakēsari. 590 kaļañju of gold by Ārūran Ambalattādigaļ, a queen of Uttama Cōļa, and another gift of 145 kaļañju (in both cases weight by ūrkkal) by Uraṭṭayan Śōrabbai alias Tribhuvana-mahādēviyār, for offerings on birthdays of Śembiyan Mahādēvi. The committee called Śāsana-baddha-caturvēdi-bhaṭṭattānap-perumakkaļ, to whom the gifts were entrusted, is said to have been the creation of Śembiyan-mādēvi herself. 496 of 1925.

^{*} This statement is repeated verbatim in 491 and 492.

Year 16.—Tirukkoļambiyūr (Tj.)—Parakēsari. Land as tiruccennadaip-puram to Madhurāntakan Umā-bhaṭṭārakiyār
in the Tirukkoļamba-dēvar temple by Ārūran Ponnambalattāḍigaļ, the queen of Uttama Cōļa, after purchasing
it from a lady Kāḍan Śingam, through her son Mahāmātran Gautaman Kēśavan Śrikaṇṭhan of Śāttanūr.
Taxes remitted by assembly of Pērāvūr in return for
a lump payment. Iļakkarungūśu mentioned.

47 of 1925.

- Tiruppugalūr (Tj.)—Parakēsari. Land as igaiyili by Uttamašola-mādēviyār alias Gopan-šākappu....., after purchase from the sabhā and tanippuruṣar, to Kailāsamuḍaiya Mahādēva at Tripura mangalam a brahmadēya in Kugumba-nāḍ. 66 of 1928.
- from the revenues of the temple (dēvarāyamey-kūṭṭi) for a salver (kulittaṭṭu), and 40 kalañju for offerings by Nandiśaran alias Parakēsari Vilupparaiyan of Elinūr, (Elinūr-kilavan), who was the officer managing the temple affairs (śrī-kāryam-arāyginra) at the time.

245 of 1912; SII. iii. 145.

Ś. 901 and Kali 40(8)0—Uyyakkondān - Tirumalai (Tri.)— Uttama Coļa Parakēsari. Land, for offerings. 456 of 1908 *; SII. iii. 135.

The regnal year is lost or uncertain in the following :-

Kāncipuram (Ch.)—Mentions queen Viranārāyaņiyār. 3 of 1906.

Könérirájapuram (Tj.)—Temple of Tirunallamuḍaiyār † was built of stone by Mādēvadigaļār, queen of Gaṇḍarāditta-dēva and mother of the king.

450 of 1908; SII. iii. 146.

^{*} Though very seriously damaged, this record is invaluable for its date.

⁺ Called elsewhere Adityēsvara from Gandarāditya who is figured in stone in this temple. SII, iii pl. xi.

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- Talaiccangādu (Tj.)—Silver vessel (śambaram), weighing 151 kalañju, to the big temple of Mahādēva by Pirāntakan Mādēvigal alias Sembiyan Mahādēvi, mother of Uttama Cöla.

 204 of 1925.
- Tirunagaiyūr (Tj.)—Land for offerings to the temple of Siddhēśvaram-uḍaiya-mahādēva by queen Pirāntakan Mādēvaḍigaļār alias Śembiyan Mādēviyār who gave birth to Uttama Cōļa. 159 of 1908; SII. iii. 149.
- Tiruppālatturai (Tri.)—Mentions construction by some one (king?) of Dayāparap-pērambalam and the grant of some land as ambalappuram, made iraiyili by the assembly which received a lump payment. Iraiyiliyāga paņiccu.....nilamudalum pottagattum iraivāṭṭi Tiruppātturai śrī vimānattē ślālēkhai śeydu......iraikāttuk-koḍuppēmānēm perunguri-sabhaiyēm.*

 569 of 1908; SII. iii. 150.

^{*} H. K. Sastri translates: " Caused the deduction of the taxes (to be entered) in the land register (nilamendal?), the tax register (pottagam)" etc.

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(Acc. 25th June-25th July A.D. 985)

Year 2.—*Tirunaraiyūr* (Tj.)—Rājak. Silver vessels and a *chauri* of gold to the temple by Udaiya-pirāṭṭiyār Śembiyan Mahādēviyār *alias* Pirāntakan Mādēvadigaļār. *

156 of 1908.

" Tiruvārār (Tj.)—Rājak. Silver vessels by Sembiyan Mahādēviyār for (merit of) Śri Uttama Cēļa-dēva.

570 of 1904.

- Year 3.—Gövindaputtür (Tri.)—Rājak. Sabhā of Periya Vānavan Mahādēvi-catm. got 200 kaļañju from a perundaram of Mummudi-Cōļa-dēva, Ambalavan Paļuvūrnakkan alias Vikrama-sōļa-Mahārāyan, for the izaikāval on 1½ vēli of land. 168 of 1929.
 - " Kilappaluvār (Tri.)—Rājak. Two silver vessels by the wife (dēviyār nambirāṭṭigaļār) of Vikrama-śōḷa-Iḷangō-vēḷār, daughter of Paḷuvēṭṭaraiyar, when Kauśikan Nakkan Māran was looking after temple affairs (śrī-kāryam-ārāyānirka) under orders from Aḍigaḷ Paḷu-vēṭṭaraiyar Kaṇḍan Maravau.

110 of 1895; SII. v. 671.

" Kūjappaļuvūr (Tri.)—Rājak. Two gold ornaments by Adigaļ Paļuvēṭṭaraiyar Kaṇḍan Magavan.

111 of 1895; SII. v. 672.

- " Šembiyanmahādēvi (Tj.)—Rājak. List of articles such as golden pot, paṭṭam, gold flowers, with their weights noted, as presented to the temple of Śri Kailāsamuḍai-yār by the mother of Uttama Cōṭa in the month Mīna in that year.

 497, 498 of 1925.
- * The presence of this lady's name is the reason for assigning this and similar records to this king. (ARE, 1909 II 41).

Year 3.—Tiruccengāṭṭanguḍi (Tj.)—Rājak. Rājarāja-dēva. Land for two lamps to shrine of Śirāļa-dēva by Veļļāļan Ulagan Śirriyan alias Tappillā Mūvēndavēļān.

56 of 1913.

- " Tirukkalittattai (Tj.)—Rājarājak. Land for offerings and for supply of 108 pots of bathing water at monthly Sankrāntis to the temple of Mahādēva at Amaninārā-yaṇa-catm. by Kilānadigai, the daughter of Vilupparai-yar and queen of Uttama Cōla-dēva, son of Gaṇdarā-ditta-dēva.

 298 of 1908.
- " Turukkāravāšal (Tj.)—Rājak. Mummudi Cōla-dēva. *
 Land, by purchase, for lamp. 453 of 1908.
- " Tirumülpurum (NA.)—Lamp. Gold with ürar of Serukur by Madhurantakan Gandaradittan.

285 of 1906; 292-A of 1906.

, Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Sale of land for upkeep of a lamp. Mentions Madhurāntakan Gaṇḍarādittan and Śōla-mādēviyār ulias Paūcavan-mādēviyār, (queen of Mummudi Cōļa), † the latter being donor.

294 of 1906.

- " Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Gold by Madhurāntakan Gandarādittan. 295 of 1906.
- ing Brahmans by Madhurantakan Āccapiḍāran (Āditya in the grantha portion), son of Vira-śōḷa-lḷangōvēḷār of Koḍumbāḷūr in Kō-nāḍu.

 306 of 1906.‡
- Udaiya Pirāṭṭiyār, mother of Śri-kaṇḍan Madhurān-takan alias Uttama Cōļa, on behalf of her son to god at Tiruppurambiyam. A weighing scale called inguturaiyāk-kaļi.

 338 of 1927.
- " Tiruvaiyāru (Tj.)—A chauri to temple by Pañcavan Mādēviyār, queen of Mummudi Cēļa. 147 of 1918.

Title assumed in this year? - ARE. 1909 II 42. † i.e., Rujaruja I.

I Rujaruja I. Sanskrit part gives name Rujaruja.

- Year 3.—Tiruvorriyūr (Ch.)—Rājak. Mummudi Coļa-dēva. Gold necklace (pallittongal) called Rājarājan, an oṭṭuvaṭṭil of gold called Mummuḍi-śolan, and a gold door for the Mēvāśi called Rājarājan, by a certain Valikkēytuņai Guṇaśilan of Mullak-kurumbu in the Cola country, for the merit of Aḍigal Nirāḍi, chief of Ūrrukkāḍu, a village in Āvūr-kōṭṭam of Śō-ṇāḍu, who was in charge of śrī-kāryam of Tiruvorriyūr-ālvār. The jewels were made from accumulated savings of 810 kalañju from the temple income.
- Year 4.—Kilappaluvūr (Tri.)—Rājak. Mummudi. Gold for lamp by Adigal Paluvēṭṭaraiyar Kaṇdan Maravanār-perundirattu Araiyan Sundara-śōlan who gave 12 kalañju to the Tiruvālandurai-śrikōyil-udaiyār.

115 of 1895; SIL. v. 676.

- " Śembiyanmahādēvi (Tj.)—Remission by assembly of taxes on some temple lands. 493 of 1925.
- " Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Rājak. Mummudi Cōļa. An enquiry into the affairs of the temple of Agniśvara at Tirumālpēru by Madhurāntakan Gaṇḍarādittar with a committee of five members. Proof obtained of neglect and misappropriation of endowments.

283 of 1906. *

., Tiruveņkādu (Tj.)—96 sheep for a lamp by Udaiyapirāṭṭiyār Tambirānadigaļ Vānavan-mādēviyār alias Tribhuvana-mādēviyār, the mother (ācci) of Śri-Rājēndra Cōļa-dēvar and the queen of Śri Rājarāja-dēva.

117-A of 1896 †; SII. v. 982.

Year 4, day 24.—Madhurāntakam (Ch.)—Kāndaļūr-šālaik-kalam-arutta Rājak. The mahāsabhā of the place agreed to conduct a festival to god Tiruveņkāṭṭu-Paramēśvara with the twenty-five pon, collected from a merchant of Vira-śōlappērangāḍi; and the tax kālaļavu-kōl-kūli. The madhyastha was also a signatory.

395 of 1922.

* 282 of Year 12.

† 448 of 1918 is same but fuller.

- Year 4, day 154.—Madhurāntakam (Ch.)—Kāndaļūr-šālaik-kalamarutta. An assignment of land by the mahāsabhā of Madhurāntaka-catm., for opening round the temple a street which was named Tiruveņkāṭṭup-perun-deruvu; restrictions placed, and privileges granted to the Sivabrāhmaṇas, uvaccar, tapasvins and the dēvaradiyār who were allowed to settle in it. 397 of 1922.
- Year 5.—Dārāsuram (Tj.)—Land for sacred bath and śribali to alvar of Tirusomiśvaram at Tirukkuḍamūkku.

3 of 1915.

- " Kilappaluvūr (Tri.)—Rājak. Land sold by sabhā of Sirupaluvūr to Adigal Paluvēṭṭaraiyar Maravan Kaṇḍan.
 118 of 1895; SII. v. 679.
 - . Sembiyanmahādēvi (Tj.)—An order of the assembly to the $\bar{u}r$ -v $\bar{u}r$ iyam (Frag.) 495 of 1925.
- " Tiruccengōḍu (Coi.)—(Copper-plate) Rājakēsari. Lands to Paramēśvara of sacred Mūlasthāna at Tūśiyūr by Kollimaļavan Ogriyūran Piridigaņḍavarman.

SII. iii. 213. *

- sels and gold of Tiruvārai-nakkan-köyil Paramasvāmin having been utilised in former years by the sabhā, certain lands were given in exchange to the temple in the 28th year of the reign of king Kannaradēva. †

 Mention is made also of a gift of land in the 14th year of Madiraikonda Parakēsari.

 359 of 1917.
- " Tiruvēdikkudi (Tj.)—Rājak. Thirty iron torch-lights (iruppup pidi vilakku) by Rājarāja-dēva, fifteen servants being retailed for holding the lights. ‡

68 of 1895; SII. v. 625.

- In this record the word 'kannadu' about which Krishna Sastri makes curious surmises seems really to mean 'boundary stone' and is by no means, either a reference to the 'hero-stones' of Tamil literature or an angraver's mistake for 'kannagum'. The word is very clearly engraved and occurs in three places in the same plate.
 - † i. e., 967-8 A.D., also the initial date of Uttama Coja ARE, 1918 II 23.
 - ‡ Each man held two lights. cf. 53 of 1895 of Yr. 6.

- Year 5 *—Tiruviśalūr (Tj.)—Gold by a queen of Rājarāja-dēva by name Vaṭṭan Kāḍan Tongiyār for feeding five Brahmans. One hundred Īļakkāśu yielding 15 kāśu as dharmappaliśai. 19 of 1907.
- Year 6.—Ś. 913.—*Jōḍi kempanapura* (Mys.) Cōḷa-nārāyaṇa.

 Land. *MAR*. 1917 p. 42.
 - " Takkōlam (NA.)—Undertaking by the residents of Puriśai to pay interest in the form of paddy on 20 kalañju of gold received from the temple of Tiruvūral. 244 of 1921.
 - riruccatturai (Tj.)—Rājak. Fifty iron lights (iruppuviļakku) by Rājarāja-dēva for the śrībali at night; oil
 2 measures; the following were to hold these torches:
 eight sweepers (tirumeļukkiduvār), four buglers
 (kāļamūdigaļ), one cook of the śālai (aduvān), three
 tenants (kudigaļ) of the flower-garden (nandavanam),
 and eight others, resident in houses belonging to the
 temple, who are not dēvar-nivandakkārar and are used
 to hold the lights every day.

53 of 1895; SII. v. 610.

- " Tirukköşthiyür (Tj.)—(Vaţţeluttu). Kāndalūr-śālaik-kalam-arutta. Land for two lamps to Tirumayāna-dēva by Nārpattennāyiravan Porköyil-nambi alias Pālāśiriyan.

 332 of 1923.
- " Tirumananjëri (Tj.)—At the command of Udaiya-pirātțiyār, mother of Uttama Cöla, Ārūran Kamban alias Tirukkarraļi-piccan of the village gave 16 kalanju of gold for sandal paste etc., to Mahādēva at Tirumaṇaŭjēri, which is stated to be near Kadalangudi. Mentions pīdiligaivāri. 9 of 1914.
- " Tiruvenkādu (Tj.)—Rājak. Mentions images made and jewels and vessels presented by Parāntakan Mādēviyār alias Šembiyan Mādēviyār, daughter of Maļavaraiyar, mother of Uttama Coļa and queen of Gandarāditya, in the fourth and sixth years of Uttama Coļa, in the fourth

^{*} Sunday 1st December A.D. 989, El. ix p. 207 (Kielhorn).

year of Rājakēsari, in the 3rd and 10th years of Parakēsari and in the second year of Gandarāditya-dēva alias Mummudi-cēļa-dēva. * 444 of 1918.

- Year 6.—*Tiruvišalūr* (Tj.)—Mentions a person belonging to the Udaiyār Kōdaṇḍarāma-taniccēvagam. 342 of 1907.
- Year 7.—Ajagādriputtār (Tj.)—Land by sabhā of Pāradāyakudi, a brahmadēya, to temple for offerings. Mentions the construction of the central shrine with stone by Pullāli Sāttan Kārivēļār Kaņdarādittan atias Mummudi-Sōliyavaraiyar. 283 of 1908.
 - ., Elvānāšār (SA.)—Mentions the 15th year of Śrī-Uttama Cōļa-dēva, the son of Śembiyan Mādēviyār and two Milādu chiefs. 176 of 1906.
 - " Gāvindaputtār (Tri.)—Ambalavan Paļuvūr-nakkan atias Rājarāja Paltavaraiyan of Kuvaļālam, a perundaram of the king, appointed Śēṭṭapōśan Veṇṇayakramavittan as manager of the temple of Viśaiyamangala-dēvar; and the sabhā entrusted the manager with certain powers.

 160 of 1929.
 - Kuhūr (Tj.)—90 sheep for lamp by Rājarāja Pallavaraiyan of Kuvaļālam, one of the perundaram of the king. 291 of 1917.
 - ., Sembiyanmahādēvi (Tj.)—Gift by Uraṭṭayan Śorabbaiyār alias Tribhuvana-mādēvaḍigaļ, the senior queen of Uttama Cōṭa, of 100 kāsu, deposited with the Śāsunabaddha caturvēdi bhaṭṭattāna-perumakkaļ of Śrī-kailāsam. From the interest, offerings were to be made in the temple on the Cittirai-tirukkēṭṭai day, the asterism of her mother-in-law, Śembiyan Mahādēviyār, who founded the village.

 480 of 1925.
 - " Tiruccuttugai (Tj.)—Land by royal order to ścikāvyam ścykinga Minavan Vilattūr-nāţţuk-kön for an endowment for offerings (as detailed) in temple.

55 of 1895; SII. v. 612.

^{*}This surname of Gandarāditya and the fact of his rule are new. Rājarāja is the first Rājak, after Uttama Cōja. Palaeography is in support of this. The order of reigns mentioned in the inscription is not chronological. ARE. 1919 II 14.

Year 7.—Tiruvallam (NA.)—A Brahman set up an image of Umā-bhaṭāraki and granted a lamp. He also purchased 1700 kuļi of land tax-free, after paying 'vilaidravyamum igaidravyamum' to the sabhā of Mandiram alias Jayamēru *-śrīkaraṇa-mangalam, and made it over to the Śivabrāhmaṇas who had to feed the lamp and supply the offerings.

8 of 1890; SII. iii. 50.

"† Tiruvallam (NA.)—A visit to Tikkāli Āļvār temple by Madhurāntakan Gaņdarādittanār ‡ who caused 1000 jars of water to be poured over the god. He also held the Śivabrāhmaṇas of the temple and the sabhā of Tirukkālivallam to account for the income and expenditure of the temple scheduled in the tiruvāṇai and the tiruvālai; (rest of the inscription is built in).

10 of 1890; SII. iii. 49.

- Tiruvallam (NA.) Details of expenditure for 74 kalanju of gold, realised as fine from the Sivabrahmanas for misappropriation of temple lands, and 7 kalanju and 4 manjadi which Madhurantakan Gandaradittanar who scrutinised the temple accounts had added to make up the deficit. The four variyar of Tikkalivallam, the two variyar of Mandiram, and two kanganis were to look after the expenditure in future. Paddy quoted at forty kadi per kalanju. Rate of interest 12%.
- Tiruvārār (Tj.)—Mentions the building of a stone shrine in the temple of Tiruvaraneri-ālvār by Śembiyan Mahādēviyār, and the setting up of two images in it by the same lady, and records that she presented 234 kāśu, invested with the sabhā of Adiyappi-catm., for daily requirements, additions to the temple and repairs. 571 of 1904.
- * A title of Bana Vikramaditya I.
- † 26th September 991 A.D. El. iv p. 66, Kielhorn.
- † Perhaps an otherwise unknown son of Madhurantaka the immediate predecessor of Rajaraja I Hultzsch. cf. 283 of 1906 of Yr. 4.
 - § This settlement is quoted in 227 of 1921 of Yr. 4, day 114 of Rajendra I.

- Year 7.—*Tiruvegumbār* (Tri.)—Money for feeding six Brahmans versed in the Vēda by Ilādarāyar Pugalvippavar-gaņdan Vira solan. * 116 of 1914.
 - " Uyyakkondān Tirumalai (Tri.)—2,432 kaļañju of gold to Uyyakkonda-nāyanār † temple for festivals by sabhā of Rājāśraya-catm. 457 of 1908.
 - " Vṛddhācalam (SA.)—90 sheep for lamp, and a lamp-stand, by Malaiyavvai-dēviyār, daughter of Pottappic-cēļar Sattiyaraiyar and queen of Irangēļa Prithipati Amanimallar. Also 2 mā of land for flower-garden.

49 of 1918.

Year 8.— *Altonbūkkom* (Tri.)—Lamp to Śrī Kṛṣṇa Perumāļ at Tiruvāypāḍi by a resident of Dantivarma-mangalam.

708 of 1909.

, Daršanakkāppu (Tv.)— (Valteluttu). Kāndaļūr-šālaikkalam-agutta. Mentions a meeting in the dēvadāna Tiruvarankāppu of the Karaņattār for looking into the Taļikkaņakku and Śavaikkaņakku. (Frag.)

TAS. i. p. 238.

" Kilappulnvār (Tri.)—Paļai Iļaiya Iraņamukha-rāman killed Kaikkēļa Baladēvan Vayiri in a duel (uruvik-kutti); Adigaļ Paļuvēṭṭaraiyar Kaṇḍan Magavanār adjudged the case and as a result 90 sheep were given by the culprit for a lamp.

109 of 1895; SII. v. 670.

of Marudāḍu (NA.)—Land for a lamp by residents (nāṭṭōm)
of Marudāḍu to the Perundirukkōyil-ālvār temple for
the merit of Kalipperumān of Mākaņūr Pūtturai who
fell that Marudāḍu may not be destroyed. ‡

411 of 1912.

" Puñcapāṇḍavamalai (NA.)—Remission by Udaiyār Viraśōlar, son of Udaiyār Hā Jarājar Pugalvippavar-gaṇḍan,

^{*} El. iv pp. 136 ff.

⁺ Called Tirukkagkudi-Vilumiya-devar in other 10th century records. ARE, 1909 II 42.

I Rice, Mysore and Coorg. pp. 180 ff.

of karpūra-vilai and anniyāyavāva-daņ lavigai in the village of Kūgaganpādi, an *igaiyilip-palliccandam*, on a representation from his wife Hāda-mādēviyār that the collection of these dues by previous (kīlppagalānda) Hādarājar affected this charity (Tiruppānmalai) adversely.

19 of 1890; EL iv. p. 139.

Year 8.—Reddipālem (Nel.)—Lamp by Mummudi Vaitumba Mahārājan alias Visnu-dēvan alias Durai Arasan.

NI. G. 88.

- Rajtapādi. Sabhā and ūr agree to maintain a lamp to Šrī Bhajtāraki of Sri Varāha-dēva, the goddess set up by a merchant of Mylapore, who gave also 15 kajaāju of gold towards the lamp. 261 of 1910.
- " Tiruvirāmīśvaram (Tj.)—Land for lamp and offerings by Kudiraikkāra Śōbhanayyan. 146 of 1911.
- Year 9.—Adutugai (Tj.)—Some temple land reclaimed by Sembiyan Mādēviyār, mother of Uttama Cōļa-dēva, and called Sembiyan Mahādēvi.

 362 of 1907.
 - " Kiṭār (SA)—Gold for lamp by Kundaṇan Amirtavalli, the mother of queen Ulōka mahādēviyār; it was deposited with the Tiruvuṇṇāṭigai sabhai. Also līa-v¶akku worth two kāšu.

239 of 1902; EL vii, p. 144.

- "Kuhūr (Tj.)—Sale of land to temple by some persons called Kōliyakkudaiyār, who were unable to raise the money for paying som lines imposed on them. Mentions the harassing of royal officials in collecting the fine.

 277 of 1917.
 - Mēlappaļuvār (Tri)—Rājakēsari. Money for lamp given to the temple servants by an inhabitant of Avanikandarpapuram. Mentions Adigaļ Paļuvēṭṭaraiyar Kaṇḍan Maravan. * 382 of 1924.
- * cf. 395 of year 16 Uttama Cöla. Hence this Rājak, is Rājarāja I who has no attributes up to year 9, becomes Kāndalūr-sālaik-kalam-agutta in years 10-12, and has later on the *Tirumagal* introduction. ARE, 1924 II 10. Kāndalūr expedition placed in the middle of 995 A.D. because some records of year 10 (234, 248 of 1926) mention it while others (193 of 1926) do not ARE, 1926 II 23.

- Year 9.—*Mělpádi* (C.)—*Tirumugaļ-pāla*. Īļam and Raṭṭapāḍi included. 96 sheep for lamp; liquid measure Rājakēsari. 97 of 1921. *
 - Paṇḍāravāḍai (Tj)—Silver plate and bronze stand to temple by Śembiyan Mahādēvi. 262 of 1923.
 - " Tirugōkarṇam (Pd.)—Land for up-keep of a tank by a Brahman from the Cōla country. 307 of 1904.
 - ,, Tirunedungalam (Tri.)—Land for (feeling) Sivayōgins. 687 of 1909.
 - "", Tirappurambiyam (Fj.)—Some gold ornaments and a silver vessel were made out of the savings of the temple treasury between the second and ninth years of the reign.

 78 of 1897; SII. vi. 28.
 - Tirurāḍutugai (Tj.)—Land as nṛtya-bhōga, on behalf of the temple, by the assembly of Śāttanūr met in the hall (ratuśśālau) to Kumaran Śrī-kaṇḍan who had the śātkai-kāṇi of the village, for acting the seven ankas of the Āriyakkāttu on festival days in Purattāśi in the temple of Tiruvāḍutugai-ālyār. Provision is made for the supply of rice flour, betel leaves and areca nuts, ghī for mixing collyrium and turmeric.

120 of 1925.

" Tiruvidaimarudār (Tj.)—Gift of ornaments to Umābhaţţāraki by a servant of Nambirāṭṭiyār Śrī Pañcavan-Mahādēviyār of Kōdaṇḍarāma-vēļam of Tañjāvūr.

278 of 1907.

Year 9, day 158.—Uttaramērār (Ch.)—Decision of the Mahāsabhā about the payment of fines imposed on several castes and communities of the place either in the king's courts or otherwise †. Mentions the mukha-maṇḍapa of the Tulābhāra Śrī-kōyil ‡ where the assembly held its sittings.

197 of 1923.

^{*} Year doubtful (9).

⁺ contra ARF, 1923 Il 28.

[‡] Probably the Sundara Varada temple whence the inscription comes. Perhaps the king performed a Tulabhara here, ibid.

- Year 10.—Darśanakkōppu (Tv.)—(Vaṭṭeluttu). Kāndaļūrc-cālaik-kalam-arutta. One lamp by the sabhā for the merit of Pullanārāyaṇan.

 TAS. i. p. 239.
 - " Kandamangalam (SA.)—Kāndaļūr-śalai. Land to temple Sētāngi-viņņagar Paramasvāmin by the assembly met in Tirukkāvaņam in front of Vīranārāyaņa Viņņagar at Tribhuvanamādēvi-catm. Another fragment related to a gift of land by Gandarādittan Madhurāntakan.

356 of 1917.

- "Kijappajuvār (Tri.)—Kāndaļūr-salai. Land by Araiyan Sundarasõļan of the perundigam of Paļuvēttaraiyar Kaṇḍan Magavanār for the supply every day of a garland made of two nāji of tumbai flowers: 'irunājittumbai-paļļittāmam.' 106 of 1895; SII. v. 667.
- " Kuhūr (Tj.)—Kāndaļūr-šālai. Land and house-site to Āditya Īśvara temple for the Šittirait-tiruviļā in the shrine of Nambi Arūran, by the ūr and kāṇiyuḍaiya Kōliyakkuḍaiyārgaļ. 299 of 1917.
- ,, Kāram (Ch.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. A sabhā-śrīmukham of the sabhā of Kūram providing for repairs etc., of a matha. 33-A of 1900; SH. vii. 34.
- "* Sucindrum (Tv.)—(Vulleluttu). Fifty sheep with the Mülaparadai-sabhai for lamp to Tiruc-civindirattumahādēva by İlanāṭṭa Malavaraiyan Senni Kandan.

71 of 1896; EI. v. p. 44; TAS. i. p. 238-9.

"Timlivanam (SA.)—Śālaik-kalam-agutta. Land, 2910 kuli, reclaimed for a musician who was to play on the lute (vinui) and a vocalist to accompany the lute in the Tindisvara temple at Kidangil.

141 of 1900; SII. vii. 154.

" Tiruccengādu (Coi.)—(Copper-plate). Rājakēsari. (A) An order of Maļavaraiyan Sundarasola that the irai collected by him from the Nagarattār of Tūsiyur viz.,

The astronomical data in this record reduce the king's accession to 25th June - 25 July A. D. 985. Kielhorn, El. vi. p. 20

mulumanai-kālum arai-manai araikkālum, shall be in the form of nirva-ivai; and that in the case of dues under dandangurvam, the practice of Nandipura shall be followed. (B) Kollimalavan Piradigandan * makes an endowment for the merit of his father who died in Ceylon (engal-āccar-ilattuppada avar śrīmadāhattukkuc-civupādu.)

Year 10.—Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Kāndaļūr-šālai etc. Gold by Kuļakkudaiyan Aruņilai Śrikṛṣṇan alias Mūvēnda Pidavūr Vēļār. A tiruppadiyam beginning Kōlanār-kuļal composed by the father of the donor in praise of Gōvindapādi-āļvār was to be sung at a festival.

333 of 1906.

" Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—Kāndaļūr-šālai. Gift of a gold flower by one Hṛdayaśiva of Tirupputtūr.

197 of 1907.

" Tiruviḍaimarudūr (Tj.)—Kāndaļūr-śālai. Gold image of Umāsahitar by queen Pañcavan Mahādēvi.

254 of 1907.

- " Tiruvišalūr (Tj.)—Kāndaļūr-šalai. Money for lamp to Tiruvišalūr-perumāļ at Avaninārāyaņa-catm., a dēvadāna and brahmadēya. 3 of 1907.
- " Tribhuvani (Pondicherry)—Kāndaļūr-šālai. Land, by purchase, for water supply and a lamp. The tank, Kōkkiļānadippērēri, is mentioned among the boundaries.

 196 of 1919.
- Uyyakkondān Tirumalai (Tri.) Kāndaļūr šālai. Gift, by Sembiyan Mādēviyār, mother of Kaṇḍan Madhurāntaka-dēvan alias Śrī Uttama Cōļa-dēva, to Śrī Karkuḍi Vilumiyār at Nandipanma-mangalam, of a jewelled crown comprising: gold 149 kaļaūju; silver 190 odd kaļaūju; muttu (pearl) 700 in number; mānikkam 3; and diamond (vayiram) 27.

95 of 1892; SII. iv. 542. †

^{*} cf. SII. iii. 213 of year 5.

^{† 459} of 1908 seems to be same record.

- Year 10. Vijayanārāyaṇam. (Tin.) (Vaṭṭeluttu)-Kāndaļūrśālai. Land as śālābhōga purchased from sabhā as iraiyili, and fifty sheep for lamp to Manōmaya Īśvarattu Perumānaḍigaļ; charities under supervision of sabhā. 7 of 1927.
- Year 11.*—Bāhūr (Pondicherry.)—Śālaik-kalam-agutta. Provision by sabhā of Vākūr for annual repairs to the tank at Bāhūr, at the rate of padakku-nel per pū per mā of land in the village. 178 of 1902; SII. vii. 805.
 - " Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Šālaik kalam agutta. Village called Rājamalla† catm. of Tiruvēgambapuram in (Dāmar)-köṭṭam. 190 of 1915.
 - ., Kōnērirājapuram (Tj.)—Kāndaļūr-śālai. Gift by Udaiyapirāṭṭiyār for singing the Tiruppadiyam. (?) ‡ 631 of 1909.
 - " Olagapuram (SA.)—Kāndaļūr-šālai. Land for offerings to shrine of Ivvūr-terkil-vāśal-mahāśattanār by Nagarattār of Ulagamādēvipuram. 144 of 1919.
 - " Takkölam (NA.) Śālaik-kalam-agutta Rājarājakēsari.
 Twenty-five kajañju of gold deposited with Maṇaiyig-köṇṭattut-tiruvūgag-purattuc-cīgūr-ūrōm who undertook to supply paddy to the temple.

3 of 1897; SII, v. 1366.

- " Tennēri (Ch.)—Gift of vessels to temple by Šembiyan Mahādēviyār. Engraved on stone by sabhā by royal order. 199 of 1901; SII. vii. 411.
- " Tirukköşthiy ör (Rd.)—(Vattelutta)-Rājarājakēsari. Land, by purchase, for a lamp and for a Brahman for explaining the Prābhākaram, by a native of Sattamangalam in Tiraimūr-nādu. 333 of 1923.
- * Sunday 14th June, A.D. 996-Kielhorn EI. vii. p. 169.
- † Possibly after a Ganga king ARE, 1916 II 8.
- 1 Purpose of grant not in the text, contra ARE 1910 II 18.

- Year 11.—*Tirumālpuram* (NA.)—Kāndaļūr-śālai. Sheep for lamp by a native of the Cōļa country to the shrine of Anuma-dēva in the Viṣṇu temple. 335 of 1906.
 - ,, Tiruvālīšvaram (Tin.)—(Vuļteļuttu) Kāndaļūr šālai. Land. Village called Rājarāja-catm. 119 of 1905. *
 - Tiruvegumbār (Tin.)—Kāndaļūr-šālai. 34 sheep for lamp to Gaṇapati in the local temple. The donor was one of the āļungaṇattār of the village (ivvār-yāļungaṇttār.)

 98 of 1914.
 - ,, Tiruvirāmīśvaram (Tj.)—Land for lamp by one of the āļunyaņuttār of the bruhmadēya village, Madanamañ-jari-catm. 136 of 1911.
 - " Valappuranadu (Sm.)— Kāndaļūr-śālaik-kalam-agutta.
 The śattapperumakkal of Tiruvagappalli received gold
 for a lamp from a merchant, Malaiyamān Śetti. Mentions the weight malaikkal.

 498 of 1930.
- Year 11, day 164.—Tennēri (Ch.)—Śālaik-kalam-arutta. The great assembly met in the brahmasthāna of the village and made the rule that only Brahmans well-versed in the mantras were eligible for appointment as vāriyam-śeyvār and for taking part in the deliberations of the assembly. Tennēri called Uttama Śōla-catm. Nammūril mantra-brāhmaṇam vallārēy vāriyañjeyvārāgavam sabhā-māgranjolluvārāgavam . . . mantrabrāhmaṇam-āgrādēy vāriyañjeydāraiyum sabhā-māgranjonnārai-yum tiruvāṇai-maguttār paḍum-daṇḍappaḍuvārāya.

 241 of 1922.
- Year 11, day 220. Tennēri (Ch.)—Šūlaik-kalam-agutta. Vyavasthā of sabhā: Nammāril brahmasvangoņdārum mēlppadukuggam-mudaiyārum nammūr-vāriyañjeyavum sabhā-māggaĥjollavum pegādārāgavum. Ikkuggangaludaiyār vāriyaĥjeydārum sabhā-māggaĥjonnārum kaņakkar irupādu-kāļļinārum tiruvāņai-maguttār padum daņda(m) paduvārāga. 240 of 1922.

Why is Rajaraja's conquest of the Pandyas not mentioned earlier than his year 14? - AKE, 1905 Il 13.

- Year 12—Kāncipuram (Ch.) Kāndaļūr-śālai. Rājarājakēsari.

 Loan from temple to sabhā who agree to remit paddy as interest.

 SII. i. 146.
 - "Kīlappaluvūr (Tri.)—Śālaik-kalam-arutta. Lamp by Aiyāran Kānan, a Kaikkōlan of Adigal Paluvēṭṭaraiyar, for merit of a person killed by him (padakkutta).

122 of 1895; SII. v. 683.

- "Könērirājapuram (Tj.)—Śālaik-kalam arutta. Silver image (of God?) and copper image of Caṇḍēśvara by Nakkan Nallattaḍigaļ, one of the Rājarājatteriñja Kaikkôļar, and the son of Aṇukkan Mahāmalli, a peṇḍāṭṭi in the vēṭām of Rajākēsari. 627 of 1909.
- " Kuhūr (Tj.)—Śālaik-kalam-arutta. Land by residents of Kuhūr to Piļļai Nambi Ārūranār who sang the Tiruppadiyam hymns. 275 of 1917.
- " Paṇḍāravāḍai (Tj.)—A gold pot, 20 kalanju, by Śembiyan Mahādēvi for the merit of her son Uttama Cola. 263 of 1923.
- "* Pullamangai (Tj.)—Śālaik-kalam-arutta. Assembly of Pullamangalam met in the temple to the beat of the drum and made gifts of land, one vēli wet land and 440 pārtti of garden land to some Brahmans versed in the Śāma and Rgvēda. 553 of 1921.
- " Tinnevelly (Tin.)—(Vaţţeluttu)-Kāndaļūr-śālai. Land for offerings to Brahmapuri-dēvar at Tirunelvēli.

84 of 1927.

Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Kāndaļūr-śālai. An agreement of the villagers of Paļugūr regarding terms of an endowment in their charge. Mentions the fact that Madhurāntakan Gaṇḍarādittar had fined the men in charge of the store-room in the 4th year of the king's reign †; also the 14th year of a king whose name is lost.

282 of 1906.

Decr. 28 A. D. 996. - ARE. 1922 App. E.

⁺ ef. 283 of yr. 4.

Year 12.—Tiruvadi (SA.)—Śālaik-kalam-arutta. Tax-free gift of eighteen plots of land (seru) by the sabhā of Avaiyanūr to the temple of Jalasayana-mahādēva of that village.

418 of 1921.

- riruvadi (SA.)—Śālaik-kalam-arutta. The assembly of Raṇadhāra-mangalam in Avaiyanūr-nāḍu, a division of Tirumunaippāḍi, agreed to furnish the dēvadāna lands of the temple of Jalaśayana-dēva, 18¾ śeru of land, with water for irrigation from the irrigation tank of the village.

 419 of 1921.
- "* Tiruvaṇḍarkōyil (Pondicherry).—The assembly of Tribhuvana-mahādēvi-catm., met in the maṇḍapa built by Mummuḍiśōḷa-umbaḷa-nāṭṭu-vēḷān, remitted taxes on Muṇḍiyan Vaḷḷaippākkam, purchased and given to the temple by Immaḍiśōḷa Mūvēndavēḷān, and fixed the finos to be paid by those who imposed or realised any taxes on it in future. 362 of 1917.
- " Tiruvirāmīśvaram (Tj.)—Śālaik-kalam-arutta. Money for two lamps. Madanamañjari-catm., a brahmadēya in Nenmali-nādu. 119 of 1911.
- Year 12, day 231.—*Tennēri* (Ch.)—Śālaik-kalam-agutta. Sabhā orders daņļakkāņam to be collected from Vikkiyaṇṇan alias Vikrama-coļa-brahmādarāyan.

202 of 1901; SII. vii 414.

- Year 13—Kāmarasavalli (Tri.)—Śālai. Fifteen kaļañju of goll, interest (2½ kaļañju) being payable to those who recited the Talavakāra Sāmavēda on the day of Mārgali Tiruvādirai, each reciter being fed and paid 1½ kaļañju in gold.

 76 of 1914.
 - " Kammarasandra (Mys.)—Ś. 920. † Kanarese. Nolamba Ayyapa-dēva's son Gannarasa was governing part of Daligavādi. 169 of 1911; EC. ix. Ht. 111.

December 1st, A.D. 996-L.D.S. in ARE. 1918 App. E

[†] Date S. 92(3) in ARE. where 'Hēmaļambi', the corresponding cyclic year, is noted to be wrong. This is the earliest Cola record in Mysore (Rice, Intr. p. 14). But see MAR. 1917 p. 42.

- Year 13.—Tirugōkarṇam (Pd.)—Kāndaļūr-śālai. Money for payment of taxes. 310 of 1904.
 - rirukkadaiyūr (Tj.)—Tirumagal-pūla. Purchase of some lands with money from the treasury of Tiruviratṭānamuḍaiya Paramasvāmin, at the instance of the sabhā of Paḍa-ēviya Kaḍavūr, for Udayaśandiran Amudakan alias Kālakāla Māyilaṭṭi, a merchant residing in the village, who got it made rent-free by the assembly, with the stipulation that he should pay a fixed quantity of paddy to the temple every year for expenses of worship and of three lamps. 242 of 1925.
 - of Palaiya Sembiyan-mādēvi-catm, issued a new sale deed, in place of an old document lost, to a certain Parakēsari Vilupparaiyan, the headman of Puravarelilūr, for certain lands which they had sold to him. Refers to about the fourth year of Madilērielundaruļina Rājakēsari-varman. * "Iraikāval" explained. 266 of 1917.
 - Tiruvallam (NA.)—Kāudaļūr-śālai. The supervisor of the temple of Tiruttīkkāli-āļvār, Mummuḍi-śōla Pōśan, finding that one of the directors (gaṇattar) of the village had received 25 pon, dharmakaṭṭaṭai-tuṭai-niṛai, for a lamp founded by Singapirāṭṭiyār, and that his marumagan had neglected to maintain it, now made a gift of 600 kuṭi of his land for continuing the charity.

 208 of 1921.
 - " Tiruvallam (NA.)—Kāndaļūr-śālai. Some ornaments made and handed to the sabhā from 40 kaļaūju and 7 maūjādi of gold accumulated from various sources in the treasury of the temple. Also a lamp and jewelled ornament by Mummadi-śōla Pōśar, the supervisor of the temple. (See 208 of 1921.)

210 of 1921.

- " Tiruvallam (NA.) Kāndaļūr-śālai. 10 kaţañju of gold with the sabhā to Tikkāli-āļvār by Īrāyira
- * Probably the king's father Sundara Cola-ARE. 1918 II 25:

Pallavaraiyan alias Mummudi-sõla Põsar of Araisür for the Pavitrārõhaņa festival. Rate of interest 3 mañjādi per kaļañju per annum yielding 1½ kaļañju.

216 of 1921.

- Year 13.—Ukkal (NA.)—Śālai. Record by the Mahāsabhā of Vikramābharaṇa-catm. of a private endowment of 500 kuļi of land for 4 nāļi of tiruvamudu every day at noon for Tiruvāymoli-dēva of the place. The land was made tax-free after receipt of a lump payment by the sabhā.

 20 of 1893; SII. iii. 2.
- Year 14.—Agaram (SA.)—A new introduction mentioning Talalkkādu. Fragment. Sale of land. 376 of 1922.
 - " Arašāņimangalam (Ch.)—Kāndaļūr-šālai. Gift by a certain lady of a foot-rest, a seat (meytāngi), 90 sheep for a lamp, and utensils to god Tiruvāvi-bhaṭṭārakar at Arašāṇimangalam in Venkunga-kōṭṭam.

343 of 1923.

- Mummudi-sõla Räjaräjakesari. Provision by Kädan Mayindan for two lamps in the temple of Üruni-älvär at Kalakkättür, a säläbhöga at the instance of the king who desired a gift of only one lamp for the prosperity of all kings and of the world at large. Liquid measure ningä-näli. Land for one lamp and sheep for another.
- " Kuhūr (Tj.)—Land, by purchase, for lamp to Ādityēśvara at Kūhūr by a merchant of the Tribhuvana-mahādēvippērangādi outside Tañjāvūr. Mentions Vidēlvidugutukkācci-catm. 279 of 1917.
- wallam get gold, tulai-nigai 15 kalañju, and assign 1000 kuli of land by Sigrambalattuk-köl to a person residing in Śankarappādi in Arumoli-dēvap-perunderu of this Rājāśrayapuram, who had to supply 1 measure of ghī every day for a lamp. The gold was given by a well-known officer of Rājarāja and his son, Śōṇāṭtut-

tenkaraip-pāmbuņik-kūgrattu Araisūrudaiyān Īrāyiravan Pallavaraiyan alias Mummudi-sõla Põsan.

87 of 1889; SII. iii. 19. *

- Year 14.—Mēlpādi (C.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. Boundary of dēvadāna lands given tax-free to Cāļāndra-simhēśvara from the 10th year, including those mentioned in No. 102 of year 10 and day 107 of Parak. Rājēndra. Interesting details of restrictions and privileges relating to irrigation and crops, as in the Tamil part of the Tiruvālangādu plates.
 - " Podavūr (Ch.)—New introduction †. 90 sheep for lamp. 67 of 1923.
 - " Sucindram (Tv.) (Vatteluttu). Kāndaļūr-šālaik-kalam-aguttu Gangapādiyum Nuļumbapādiyum Tadiy-gavaļiyum Vēngai-nādum-kopļa Kō. ‡ Fixes dues from the tenants (mun kālk-lārānmaiyudaiyu kudigal) of Ten-Vaļanallūr who held from Nīpašēkhara Vaļanallūr, a dēvadāna of Rājarāja Vaļauāṭṭu-Nāūjināṭṭu-brahmadēyam Snjindirattu-emberumān.

75 of 1896; TAS, iv. pp. 129-30 §; EL, v. pp. 44-5.

" Tirunāgēšvaram (Tj.)—Śālai, Gangapādi etc. The sabhā of Nallūrc-cēri sell land tax-free to Tirunāgīś-varam-udaiya-mahādēva for 40 kadaūju endowed by Ariūjigaippirātti alias Bāņap-perundēvi, the daughter of Pillaiyār Arikulakēsariyār. 81 of 1897.

SII. vi. 31; 82 of 1897, SII. vi. 32 is similar.

- " Tirunāgēšvaram (Tj.)—Rājarāja Rājakēsari. Sale of 1½ vēli of land to temple by the assembly of Mādānamangalam, a brahmadēya. Tirunāgēšvaram is called a dēvadāna. The cost of the land, 101 kaļañju, 6 mā
- * Later on, under Rajendra, Uttamaśōja Pallavaraiyan. SII. ii, p. 222 n. 4. † cf. 376 of 1922.

[†] Same form in 22 of 1906-Tirukkadaiyūr, year 14: 81 of 1897-Tirunāgēs-varam year 14; 23 of 1905-Tirukkadaiyūr year 15 which adds Kudamalai-nūdu, and others.

[§] Here T.A.G. Rao accepts the naval victory of Kandajur (p. 128).

and 1 kāṇi, was the fund formerly deposited for offerings by princess Ariñjigaip-pirāṭṭiyār. Mentions the processes involved in making tulai-pon. *

218 of 1911.

Year 14.—Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—Tirumagal-pōla. (No mention of Kalinga and Ilam.) Kamban Maniyan alias Vikkirama-singa-mūvēnda-vēļān got a marakata-dēvar from the king, from the booty obtained in Malnād, and consecrated it in the temple at Tiruppalanam.

135 of 1928.

- ., Tiruremainallār (SA.)—Tirumagaļ pāla. Provision for feeding a man who had to bale out water for the sacred bath and blow the conch at Tiruvaratturai-āļvār temple.

 420 of 1921.
- Year 14, day 258.—Mēlpādi (C.) Könēr-yinmai-koṇḍān. Land in several villages to Mahādēva of the Coļēndrasimhēśvara temple constructed by the king in the city of Rājā-śraya-puram, after cancelling the old name Mērpādi alias Viranārāyaṇapuram. † 101 of 1921.
- Year 15.—Agaram (SA.) Tirumayal-pōla. Sale of land to Mahāśāstā temple by a Kramavittan, one of the managing members (yāļungaṇam) of Nṛpatongae-cayantāngicatm. ‡ 369 of 1922.
 - " Kāyār (Ch.)— Tirumagaļ-pāla. Sale of land by the assembly of Kāyār to a person for a lamp to god Ādēri-dēva. 440 of 1922.
 - Kiļaiyūr (Tj.)—Sale of 7 mā of land tax-free to Śrī-Kṛṣṇa temple by the big assembly of Tiruvalundūr for 15 kāśu got from Valikkātuṇai-guṇa-śīlan (cf. 91 of year 17) who is also said to have set up the image of goddess in the temple.
 93 of 1925.

^{*} cf, preceding entry; also 215 of 1911 (Rajak. 9.)

[†] cf. 103 of 1921 (ante).

[†] This may have owed its existence to Kayirur Perumanar of a Parantaka inscription (El. vii p. 141) ARE, 23 II 28. The susta is called Kayirur Ayyanar in 370 of 1922 of year 15 from same place.

Year 15 *.— Maņimangalam (Ch.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. Land to Tiruvāyppāḍi Śrī-Kṛṣṇa Perumāļ. The Mahāsabhā of Ulōka-mahādēvi-catm. (Maṇimangalam) met taṇṇīrp-pandalilē dharmi-śeydu (?).

289 of 1897; SII. vi. 267.

- " Mēlappaļuvūr (Tri.)—Tirumagaļ-pūla. Land, one mā, reclaimed by Nakkan Kumarakkan, daughter of Dēvarmagaļ Nakkan Periya Arangapirān, for offerings and worship on special days to the two gods in the temple of Avanikaņdarpa Īśvaram. Mentions Adigaļ Paļuvēţtaraiyar Kaṇḍan Maravan. 363 of 1924.
- .. Śērmādēvi (Tin.)—(Vaļļeļuttu)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. Only the introduction is preserved.

182 of 1895; EI. v. p. 46.

Sucindram (Tv.)—(Vaļļeļuttu)-Tirumagaļ-pōla. The **"**† Mahāsabhā of Tiruccivindiram met in the agrašālā being summoned by kāļam and kuri (kāļmūdiviccukkuri-śātti). The Mūlaparuda-sabhā managing the affairs of the temple under the Mahasabha said that they could no longer remit the igai on the devadanas of the temple or manage its affairs, and in this they were joined by their tenants (paradaik-kudiyilär), and having thus resigned everything into the hands of the Mahāsabhā, they undertook to pay a fine of 15 kalanju if they revived their claims individually (taniccuttudaril) at any time, and 50 kalanju of seydarapon if the tenants (kudigal) did so, and not to set up any claims even after paying these fines. Thereupon, the Mahāsabhā ordered that two vāriyar of their choice and the Karanattan must together manage the affairs of the temple thereafter, and provided for the remuneration in paddy of each of them every day.

85 of 1896; EI. v. p. 45; TAS. ii. pp. 1-8.

Tiruveņkādu (Tj.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. Gold. Mentions treasures taken by Rājarāja from the Cēra king.

443 of 1918.

^{*} Thursday 27th April, A. D. 999 Kielhorn, El. v. p. 198.

[†] Tuesday 29th August A. D. 999. Kielhorn, El. v. p. 48.

Year 15. — Vṛddhācalam (SA.)—Gift of śrī-muḍi, weight 9 kaḷañju, 9 mañjāḍi and 7 mā; inner silver cover 206½ kaḷ., and 4 mañjāḍi; 3 māṇikkam, 36 vayiram and 1998 pearls assorted, by Śembiyan Mahādēvi.*

48 of 1918.

Year 16.—Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. Land for recitation of the Tiruppadiyam in the temple.

199 of 1915.

dandattigonda. The king's general was Nolambādhirāja who gave Perbanna (Hebbani) to the plunderer of Kadiyanna (Kāduveṭṭi?); and a farmer of the place repaired the big tank which had breached its bank.

EC. x. Mb. 208; 100 of 1899.

- Kiļiyanūr (SA.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. Gift of a kāļam by a native of Śōļa-nāḍu for convoking the assembly of Kiļiyanūr, a brahmadēya. Mentions also that the herald was entitled to get two meals (śōṛu) every day from the village.

 156 of 1919.
- of temple servants, two persons as paṇḍāris by sabhā of Tirukkōvalūr, and other servants by four other villages named.

 231 of 1902; SII. vii. 858.
- Kuttālam (Tj.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. 360 kaļañju of gold by Vira-nāraņan-kuṭṭattāli, a valangai-vēļaikkāran, residing at Kāvirinallūr, for midnight worship to Śonnavārarivār. The amount was invested with Kōyilmadamudaiyān Eduttapādam-Śeyya-pādam alias Tirutturutti-piccan, the rate of interest being one kalam per annum (on each kaļañju). 106 of 1926.
- "Māmandūr (Ch.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. 46 sheep for half a lamp by Namban Rāman to Rudravāliśvaram Udaiya Mahādēva of Narasimha-mangala in Utta(ma?) Cōļēśvarapura within Tiruvēgambam to the east of the Citramēgha-taṭāka.

 39 of 1888; SII. iv. 137.

^{* 47} of 1918 of Parak, 12-same place,

[†] i.e., the world EC. x. Introduction p. xxiv.

- Year 16.—Siguvakkam (Ch.)—Tirumagal-pōla. Land for festival in the Mülasthāna temple of Sigupākkam. Mentions the eight members of the Mangādi-vāriyam to which was assigned the work of inspecting the produce of temple lands and conducting the festivals with the mēlvāram received from the tenants. 66 of 1923.
 - as śrībali-paṭṭi for the festival of Veḷḷēri-āļvār by the villagers (ūr) of Sander-Taṇḍalam. 71 of 1923.
 - Tirumalai (NA.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. (Copy in year 40 of Vīra Naraśinga Yādavarāya by Dēśāntari Tiruppuļlāņidāsa who rebuilt the temple). A paṭṭam,—50 kalañju, 6 māṇikkam, 4 vayiram and 28 muttu,—by Parāntadēvi Ammanār, the daughter of Śōramānār, and queen of (Ponmāligait-tuñjinān), viz., Dēvi Ammanār. *

61 of 1889; SII. iv. 293.

- " Tiruppugalūr (Tj.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. Tax-free grant of land by Nakkan Tillaiyaļagiyār alias Paūcavan Mahādēviyār, queen of Rājarāja, for festival and offerings on the day of Śadaiyam (king's nativity and her own) every month.

 47 of 1928.
- " Tiruppurambiyam (Tj.)—Tirumagal-pōla. Land for two perpetual lamps (nandāviļakku) for the Pallik-kaṭṭil of the goddess by ivvūr-vaļaūjiyar.

71 of 1897; SII. vi. 20.

which the sabhā of Śirrānaiccūr owed to their Kaik-kōlan Karrali-paṭṭālagan had become rājasvam and the king demanded its payment; unable to find the money, and unwilling to collect it from the people owing to fear of migration, the sabhā raised a loan from the temple to pay it off and agreed to make some temple lands iraiyili. Kāśu equal to three-fourths kaṭañju and three mañjāḍi.

105 of 1925.

^{* 159} of 1895 under Tiruvidaimarudur.

Year 16.—Tiruvakkarai (SA.)—Tirumagal-pōla. Gift of a dēvadāna village to stone temple of Śivalōka-uḍaiya-Paramasvāmin * built by Śembiyan Mahādēviyār. Allotments for various requirements of the temple.

200 of 1904.

Tiruvallam (NA.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. The citizens of Vāṇapuram, i.e., Tiruvallam, sold, tax-free, 700 kuļi of laud to Tiruvaiyan Śankara-dēva who granted it to Tiruvaiya Iśvara, so called after his father. Tiruvaiyan seems to have claimed descent from the W. Ganga kings: Gōguṇidhanma-Parama-Dhanma-mahārāja-Nipuṇilapura paramēśvara Śrīnātha Śrīmat-Śiva-Mahārāja Tiruvaiyan-Śankaradēva.

11 of 1890; SIL iii, 51.

" Tiruvidaimarudār (Tj.)—Tirumagaļ-pēla. Sale of land by the sabhā of Brahmadēyam Mahēndra-mangalam. Mention of oppression and torture of people by padai-yilār, and an unsuccessful appeal to the king by them; also of Ponmāļigait-tuājina-dēvar-dēviyār-Śēramānar-Pirāntakan-dēviyammanār. †

159 of 1895; SII. v. 723.

- " Trichinopoly (Tri.)—Land to the shrine of Tiruccirāppaļļi at Śigrambar in Ugaiyūr-kūgram. 412 of 1904.
- "Vijayanārāyaṇam (Tin.)—(Vaṭṭeluttu). Tirumagalpōla. The sabhā of Vijayanārayaṇa-catm., a brahmadēya in Nāṭṭārruppōkku, having assembled in the
 temple of Śaṭhakōpa Viṇṇagara perumānaḍi in the
 village, exempted from taxes two pieces of land given
 to the temple by a Brahman. 2 of 1927.
- Year 17.—Karuttaṭṭānguḍi (Tj.)—Tirumagaṭ-pōla. Sale of land by the Mahāsabhā of Rājakēsari-catm. to Kundavai, the daughter of emperor Pirāntaka and elder sister of the king; she presented it for a lamp to Karundiṭṭa-gudi-mahādēva. Mentious a general edict of the king ordering the sale of all lands in Brahman villages held

^{*} Candramauļīšvara, cf, 95 of 1892 year 10; 276 of 1903 year 2(4) ARE, 1904 paragraph 20.

^{† 61} of 1889 under Tirumalai.

by lower castes except the $k\bar{a}ni$ lands of workmen (paniseymakkal paniseykāniyoliya); and an order based on this from Adigārikal Vānavan Mūvēndavēļān regulating the manner in which the lands in this place were to be sold for cash and deputing an officer (Udaiyār panimakan) Sāttambiyār. Iccāttambiyār tanda Mahāsabhaiyām virra - nilavilaiyāvaņam. Attested by several people of the locality (ivvār).

46 of 1897; SII. v 1094.

- Year 17.—Kiļaiyār (Tj.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla (in part), 180 sheep for lamp and ghī in the month of Śittirai to the standing Kṛṣṇa in the Citramaṇṭapa of the Tirukkaḍavuḍaiya-emberumān temple at Tiruvaļundūr by a royal servant named Vaļikkētuṇai-Guṇaśīlan (cf. 93 of year 15) and his wife Aiyaḍi-puttaki. 91 of 1925.
 - "Magkāṇam (SA.)—Tirumagaļ-pēla. Ārūran Udayadivākaran Arumoļi-mūvēndavēļān of Araišūr, while he was stationed at Paṭṭanam in Paṭṭana-nādu, enquired into some complaints relating to expenses in the Bhūmiśvara temple and fixed a fresh scale. States that the tiru-nāļ of Rājarāja was Śadaiyam. 28 of 1919.
 - "Sõmār (Tri.)—Tirumagaļ-pāta. Gold diadem, to Tirunombalūr Paramēśvara at Dēvanapaļļi, made out of fines collected from defaulting temple servants, by the survey officer (ulagaļavitta) Tiruvaḍigaļ Śāttan who enquired into the expenses of the temple.

199 of 1917.

- " Tenkarai (Md.) (Grantha.) Rājāśraya. A certain Kōdaṇḍa-cōļa made a gift of land to the temple of Madhubhid (Viṣṇu) in the village of Tenūr atias Jananātha-catm. 132 of 1910.
 - Tenkarai (Md.)—(Gr.) Tirumagaļ-pūla. Land situated in Perundēnūr by Jananātha Pallavaraiyan alias Kōdaṇḍan-śōlai to god Śrī Vīra Kēraļa Viṇṇagara-dēvar of Naḍuvil-śrī-kōyil of Perundēnūr alias Jananātha-catm. in Pāganūr-kūgram.

 134 of 1910. **

^{*} No regnal year given in the text.

Year 17.—Tiruppalanam (Tj.)—Twenty kalañju gold, converted into land, for lamp, by queen Tennavan Mahādēvi.

123 of 1895; SII. v. 684.

- Raţṭapāḍi among conquests). Dedication of twelve families (paṭṭinavan-kuḍi) for conducting a festival of seven days, called Rājarāja-dēvar-tirunāļ (śatabhiṣaj) in the month of Āvaṇi. The families had to pay ¾ kaṭañja per head out of their earnings from weaving or venturing on the sea, and to render assistance in celebrating the festival. Other duties and privileges are also mentioned. This was engraved under orders of: (i) Rāman Kumaran alus Sōḥa-Mūvēnda-vēṭa-Mārāyan who was nāḍu-kaṇkātci; and (ii) Kagran Ādittan alus Dāna-Mūvēndavēṭān Mārāyan who was nāḍu-vagai. 274 of 1910.
- ing the (Dhanna)vāriyap-perumakkaļ for the year, the Sāttagaņattār of the locality (emmār) and some others met in the temple of Mahāsastā to the north of the ambalam. Some gifts were made to the temple and these were left in the charge of the Sāttagaņattār. A fine of one kaļanju was to be laid on those who sold betel-leaves ontside the Piḍāri temple and the fine to be collected by the ēri-vāriyap-perumakkaļ. The madhyastha made the record.
- ", Uttaramērār (Ch.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. Sheep for lamp, some being bought from the treasury of Subrahmanya-dēvar of Uttaramērār. Others were endowed by different people, one giving 11} sheep for 1/8 lamp.

54 of 1898; SII. vi. 337.

173 of 1923.

- Year 18.—Ambāsamudram (Tin.)—(Vaṭṭeṭuttu) Rājarājak. 25 sheep for a lamp to the temple of Tiruppōttuḍaiya-dēvar. 98 of 1905.
 - "Ārpākkam (Ch.)—Tirumagaļ-pēla. Gift by purchase of tank and land made tax-free (kāḍunguļamum vilai konḍu tirutti iraiyilicci) for offerings to Tiruvīra-Vinnagar-āļvār, in the name of Nambirāṭṭiyār Śembiyan Mukkök-kilān-adigaļ alias Kannara-Nācci-Piḍāra-nangai, by a certain Arangan Kōdaṇḍarāman of Paṇivaga-mangalam in the Cōla country. Liquid measure: śōliyam. 139 of 1923.
 - The samvatsaravāriya of Rājamalla-catm. looking after grāmakārya had to see to its proper maintenance on pain of being fined for default by the Śraddhāmantar.

 192 of 1915.
 - "Kāncīpurum (Ch.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. 60 kaļanju of gold by residents of Siru-nanraiyur for four lamps in the name of the king to Anjanjandi Durgaiyar of Kāncī. 78 of 1921.
 - s, Kilaiyār (Tj.)—Tirumagal-pāla. Provision made by assembly of Tiruvalundūr for supply of one kuruni of ghī for offerings to Tirukkadavudaiya-emberumānneyamuduśeydān on the day of Punarpūśam every month with the interest on the sum of money received from Valikkētuņai-Guņaśīlan. (91 of year 17).

95 of 1925.

- " Kilaiyūr (Tj.)—Tirumagal-pōla. 45 sheep for ½ lamp by Kumaran Pallavaraiyan of Valugūr. Mentions kāligavattar. 99 of 1925.
- " Tillaisthänum (Tj.)—Sale of land by pati-pāda-mūlattar, pañeācāryurgaļ, śrīkoyiluḍaiyār * and dēvakanmigaļ for being endowed for offerings to the

[•] These are evidently in apposition. See the compound term below,

temple. The pati-pāda-mūla-paūcācārya-śrikoyiludaiyār and the dēvakarmis * declare this land free from the obligation to pay irai, eccoru, veṭṭi, ārrukkulai or anything else.

46 of 1895; SII. v. 603.

- Year 18.—Tirunandikkarai (Tv.)—(Vaṭṭeluttu.) Tirumagal-pōla.
 Gift of Muṭṭam in Vaḷluva-nāḍ to Tirunandikkarai
 Mahādēva after changing its name to Mummuḍi-śōlanallūr, for a festival and river bath to the god on Śadaiyam day, the king's birthday.

 TAS. i. 291-2.
 - " Tiruppurambiyam (Tj.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. (Mentions conquest of Ilam.) Land for lamp. 333 of 1927.
 - " Vrddhācalam (SA.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. Land by residents of Negkuppai for the recitation of Tiruppadiyam in the local temple. 40 of 1918.
- Year 19.—Köṭṭaikarunguṭam (Tin.)—Tirumagaṭ-pōla. 25 sheep for lamp to Rāśinga Iśvaratṭu Bhaṭāra with an army officer paḍaittalaivan (of the local garrison?) living in the place. 272 of 1928. †
 - ;, Madras Museum—Tirumagaļ-pāla. Lamp. Mentions Taṇṇiyālattūr in Śinattūr-nāḍu, a sub-division of Puliyūr-kōṭṭam, from Puliyūr near Kōḍambākam to the west of the Mailāpūr tank.

290 of 1895; also 291.

- " Markānam (SA.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. Salt-pan for lamp to Śri-Bhūmīśvarattāļvār at Rājarājappēraļam in Marakāṇam, a dēvadāna in Paṭṭina-nāḍu, a sub-division of Oymā-nāḍu, by the officer and workers (kuḍigaļ) in the salt-pans. 23 of 1919.
- " Tiruccengāṭṭanguḍi (Tj.)—Tirumagal-pōla. Land for feeding in the maṇḍapa of Śiruttoṇḍa Nambi devotees attending the festival of Śittirait-tiruvādirai of Śirāļa-dēva. 57 of 1913.

^{*} Had these any taxing or assigning powers?

[†] The Vattelatte record of Sadaiya-Māran in this stone temple (270.) makes it more likely that a Pāndya Rājasimha was its builder than the Cēra feudatory of Rājēndra and possibly also of Rājarāja. ARE, 1928 II. 5.

- Year 19.—Tiruccengāṭṭanguḍi (Tj.)—Tirumagal-pōla. Land for tiruviļā to Śirnttoṇḍa-nambi, a devotee of Śirāḷa-dēva of Tiruccengāṭṭanguḍi, by two residents of Marugal.

 Mentions the revenue survey of the seventeenth year; also the phrase: mikudik-kurai-uḷaḍanga * re: land measurement.

 59 of 1913.
 - of gold by a merchant of Tiruvogriyūr in Pulār-kōṭṭam to Varāhasvāmi temple. The residents of Taiyūr agreed to pay interest in oil and paddy to the assembly of Tiruvaḍandai for a lamp and for feeding thirty-five Brahmans. 267 of 1910.
 - Rattapādi among conquests). 16½ kaļañju of gold by a merchant of Kadarpār-paļļi in Malai-nādu for feeding twelve Brahmans in the Varāha-dēva temple during the thirty days of the month of Kumbha. An instance of vādākkadan.

 273 of 1910.
 - in the introduction, we have: "Kudamalai-nādum älkadal kadandāngaru Ni.... iijrramungonda tiņdiral venrit-tandārkonda tannelil" etc. Mentions Arumolidēva-catm. in Pudal-nādu.

459 of 1911; EC. x. Mb. 123.

Year 19, day 126.—Tiruveņkādu (Tj.)—Tirumagal-pēla. String of rubies (māṇikka-nāṇ) by queen Kūttan Vīra-nārayaṇiyār alias Cēļa-Mahādēviyār.

112 of 1896; SII. v. 975.

Year 20.—Kāmarasavalli (Tri.)—Tirumagal-pāla. Mentions an executive assembly (kūttam) of 80 persons.

62 of 1914.

"Senūr (NA.)—A new introduction (beg. lost). Gift of land by ūr of Śeyanallār to the temples of Tiruvagat-tiśvara and Tirumērrali-dēva, on account of the drummers who beat the drums during the sribali

This is common in the records of the period.

ceremony; the gift was made at the instance of a local officer.

394 of 1911.

- Year 19.—Śōmūr (Tri.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. A paţţam from three kaļañju of gold collected as daṇḍam from the temple authorities. Mentions Rājādēvar Kaikkōļap-paḍai, Pirāntakat teriñja kaikkōļar, Sundaraśōlat teriñja-kaikkōļar, and Pāṇḍikulāśani-teriñja-kaikkōļar, and Iñāḍu vagai seygira Kulattūr uḍaiyār. 'The offence thus punished was the failure to bring out the image of the goddess on the day of a solar eclipse.

 67 of 1890; SH, iv. 391.
 - " Tadimalingi (Mys.)—Tirumagal-pōla. Sale of land to temple for offerings for 100 kāśu by tulai-nigai-kempōnāgurasa-nigaik-kal. Mentions Periya-Kundavai-āļvār-bhaṇḍāra and Ponnila-dōvar-bhaṇḍāra.

491 of 1911 *; EC. iii. Tn. 35.

- Year 20.—Tirukköşthiyür (Rd.)—Tirumagal-pöla. Sheep for lamp by a cavalier of the king commanding the vattānda terinda-valangai-vēlaikkārar. Tirukköşthi-yūr is called a dēvadāna in Kēraļašinga-vaļa-nādu, a sub-division of Rājarāja-vaļa-nādu. 320 of 1923.
 - manager of the temple of Tiruvāḍuturai on the one part, and the assemblies of Śāttanūr (Tiraimūr-nāḍu) and Śirrānaiccūr (Tiruvalundūr-nāḍu) on the other, that the latter shall pay the taxes on the temple lands in their villages in lieu of the interest on loans due from them to the temple which they were unable to pay.

 121 of 1925.
 - " Tiruvallam (NA.)—Tirumagaļ-pöla.—Lamp by Naunamaraiyar or Naunaman, son of Tukkarai of the Vaidumba family ruling over Ingallūr-nāḍu, a district of Mahārājapāḍi. † 14 of 1890; SII. iii. 52.

^{*} MAR, 1912 p. 38,

[†] Mahārājavādi 7000 with Vallūra for its capital must have been in the Cuddapah district, S.H. iii. p. 106.

Year 20.—*Tiruvenkādu* (Tj.)—*Tirumagal-pōla*. Golden bowl (ponnin kapālam) by Nambirāṭṭiyār Tiṭṭaipirānderumānār alias Śōla-mahādēviyār.

111 of 1896; SII. v. 974.

- Year 21.—Agaram (SA.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. An officer Parāntaka-śōļa Mūvēndavēļān sent an order to the assembly of Nṛpatunga śayantāngi catm. that the property of those who ran away without paying the fines imposed on them was to be sold for any price it could fetch and the money credited to the tālum (treasury) at Kaccipēḍu and a receipt obtained. This was in turn communicated to the sabhā of Tirunārāyaṇac-cēri, a hamlet of the village, whereupon a certain Kiļākkil Avanipabhaṭṭa was deprived of his bhaṭṭasvam land which was sold to the temple of Mahāśāstā Kayirūr Ayyan in an ājñākrayam.

 379 of 1922.*
 - "Dādāpuram (SA.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. Vessels and ornaments of gold, silver and pearls presented to the temples of Kundavai-viņņagar, Iravikula-māṇikka-lśvara, and Kundavai-jinālaya built by Parāntakan Kundavaip-pirāṭṭiyār, daughter of Ponmāḥigait-tunjina-dēvar, † in the city of Rājarājapuram Nallūr-nāḍu. Mentions officer Parākramašōla Mūvēnda-vēlān.

8 of 1919.

- Dādāpuram (SA.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. Mentions the construction of the three temples at Rājarājapuram (See No. 8 of 1919) by Pirāntakan Kundavaip-pirāṭṭi-yār, and records that, on receipt of the royal writ, the officer Ārūran Aravaṇaiyān alias Parākramaśōļa Mūvendavēļān of Panaiyūr ordered the temple treasury to be examined and the presents to be engraved on stone in the respective temples. 17 of 1919.
- Emappērūr (SA.) Tirumagaļ pēla. Rājarājavarman alias Rājarāja-dēva. 96 sheep for lamp. 517 of 1921.

^{*} This record is treated as an instance of rent recovery in ARE, 1923 II 29.

[†] This confirms the identity of this person with Sundara ColaII. The Jaims shrine exists no longer, though the others do. ARE, 1919 II 11.

- Year 21.—Tirumalai (near Pōlūr NA.) Tirumagal-pōla.

 A verse recording construction of a sluice by Guṇavīra-māmuni, * respected by kings and lord of the cool Vaigai-malai; the sluice caused paddy to grow on either side of the hill and was named after Veṇkilān Kaṇiccēkara-maru-porcūriyan. SII. i. 66.
 - " Tiruppugalūr (Tj.)—Tirumagal-pāla. Remission of taxes, after getting 15 kāśu, by the assembly of Kārōduc-cēri, a brahmadēya, on lands granted to the temple by the king and queen Paūcavan-mahādēviyār for special worship every month on the Śadaiyam day.

54 of 1928.

- equal to 96 kalam of paddy, yielding interest of 32 kalam at one tāṇi per kalam, for offerings to Tirunāvukkaraiya-dēva, installed by Agnikumāra-kramavitan alias Porkōyil Candēśvarayōgi of Kuṇḍūr, a hamlet of Vīra-šīkāmukac-cēri in Vīranārāyaṇa-catm., an independent village (taniyūr) on the north bank in the Rājēndrasimha-vaļa-nāḍu. 68 of 1928.
- " Tiruvaiyāgu ('Tj.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. (No reference to Raṭṭapāḍi) 192 sheep for two lamps. Ivvāḍu kuḍi-nīkkāc-cāvā-mūvāp-pērādu-āya; again: kuḍi engu ivvāḍu kaik-koṇḍu. 218 of 1894; SII. v. 517.
- mahādēvišvara built by the queeu of Rājarāja, Dautišakti-Viṭanki alias Lōka-mahādēvi. Sale of land by the authorities of the temple of Tirnvaiyārudaiyār to the Mahā-dēvakanmis of the temple mentioned above, at 100 kaļanju per vēli. Mentions vilaiyāvanam and poruļmāvarudip-porutcilavālai. Formula of sale interesting.

 219 of 1894; SII. v. 518.
- " Tiruvalanjuli (Tj.)—Tirumagal-pāla (in middle of record). While staying at Tiruvallam the king, who bore the surname Sivapāda-sēkhara-dēva, confirmed a

^{*} Rangachari-i p. 80 notices three persons of this name.

grant of land made in the twelfth year of Parakēsari and made a new grant also.

624 of 1902; SII. viii. 222.

- Year 21.—Tiruvallam (NA.)—Tirumagal-pōla. Sale of land to Rājarājēśvaram within the temple of Tīkkāli-mahādēva for feeding Brahmans. Mentions the royal officer Araiśūrudaiyān Īrāyiravan Pallavan. 238 of 1921.
 - Uttaramērār (Ch.) Tirumagaļ-pōla, (but no Raţţa-pāḍi). A lamp, by a resident of Nārāyaṇac-cēri, to Veļļaimūrti-āļvār of Śri Veļi-Viṣṇu-gṛha to be maintained by the Pēriļamaiyār. The Śraddhāmantas and the Śrī-Vaiṣṇavas were themselves to punish defaults.

165 of 1923.

- Year 22.—Agaram (SA.)—Tirumagal-pōla. Sale of land to Paramasvāmigaļ Kayirūr Ayyan by a managing member of the assembly. 381 of 1922.
 - " Agaram (SA.) Tirumagal-pōla. (No mention of Raṭṭapāḍi). * Resolution passed by the big assembly of Nṛpatunga-śēndāngi-catm. met in the courtyard of Accutapriya-dēvar, setting apart a portion of land belonging to the Mahāśāstā for one perpetual lamp in the temple.

 387 of 1922.
 - " Kāmarasavalli (Tri.)—Tirumagal pāla. Tanks and ponds in the village and its vicinity for red lotuses in the month of Dhanus. By order of the sabhā.

69 of 1914.

" Kūlār (Mys.)—A dēvadāna to Piḍāriyār (Kōlāramms):
"paṭṭan kaiyil tārai-aṭṭik-kuḍutturuṭina dēvadānam:
Kuvalāla-nāṭṭu Aṛaiyūrai sarvabādhāparihāramāgak-kuḍutturuṭinār."

481 of 1911; EC. x. Kl. 106 (b).

- " Měl-sěvůr (SA.)—A member of the Jananütha-terinjavalangai-věļaikkārar set up the image of the goddess Umā-bhaṭṭāraki. 216 of 1904.
- Perhaps conquered at end of year 21 and beginning of year 22. 217 of 1894 mentions it. ARE. 1923 II 27.

- Year 22.—Puñjai (Tj.)—Tirumagal-pōla. Ten vēli of land by the king for a feeding house Arumolidēvan and for daily havirbali to Ādavallār in the temple, with the condition that taxes on half the portion were to be paid by the temple and the rest by the assembly of Talaccengādu. Another tax-free gift of 5 vēli by the assembly for an annual festival in Sittirai and a remission of taxes on land given in the seventeenth year for havirbali-arcanā. 186 of 1925.
 - " Tiruvaiyāgu (Tj.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. (Includes Raṭṭapāḍi). 96 Sheep for lamp Vimayan Vambavai, the dēvi (queen) of Śaļukki Vimayan, and daughter of Vañjayan-Pegrappai. 217 of 1894; SII. v. 516.
 - Tiruvallum (NA.)—Tirumagaļ-pöla. An increase of pañcavāra paddy that the assembly of Mandaram alias Jayamēru-śrīkaraṇa-mangalam agreed to pay to the dēvakanmis of the temple. Mentions Īrāyiravan Pallavan alias Mummudišēļa-pēšan, lord of Araišūr, and an officer of the Perundanam of Rājarāja-dēva, who raised the contribution from the village. 219 of 1921.
 - " Tiruvilimilalai (Tj.)—Tirumayal-pōla (full). The assembly (mahāsabhā) of Tirumalalai, a dēvadāna village of the god in Ven-nādu, made provision for the singing of Tiruppadiyam hymns twice a day in the temple. The assembly met in the tirumuzzam of the temple (nammālvār kōyil.) 423 of 1908.
 - " Tiruvilimilalai (Tj.)—26 käsu for lamp by Kaviniyan Eran Söndan of the locality. 449 of 1908.*

[•] Sen Tamil iii. pp. 359-60, where T. A. Gopinatha Rao reaches the conclusion that Sendan is identical with Tirumaligar-devar of the Tiruvisaippa.

Year 23.—Āttūr (Tin.) Tirumagaļ-pūla. Sale of land made taxfree by the assembly of Kiranur, to the following deities: Rājarāja Vinnagar Paļļi - kondarulina - dēva. Durgā-bhagavatī, Saptamatrkas, Kṣētrapāla and Ganapati set up in the temple of Somanatha-deva alias Ten-tiruppūvanam-udaiyār at Ārrūr-Śendamangalam.

415 of 1930.

- Dādāpurām (SA.) Tirumagaļ-pōla. The dancing girls attached to the temples of Iravi-kulamanikka Isvara and Kundavai Vinnagar should accompany the god in procession, and sing and dance during the 14 of 1919. hunting festival.
- Erumūr (SA.)--Tirumagaļ-pōla. Five kaļaūju of gold by Araiyan Viccadiran of Urumur, a devadana and brahmadēya, on receiving which the sabhā agreed themselves to pay the annual fee collected from the uvaccar and to have the śrībali conducted properly.

385 of 1913.

- Erumūr (SA.)—Tirumagaļ-pūla. Sale of land to temple by the sabha of Urumur, a devadana and brahmadeya. Mentions taxes: eccoru, vāśalil-ponda-kudimai, and ũridu-vari. 388 of 1913.
- Maļūrpaļņa (Mys.)—Tirumagaļ-pūla. The assembly of Periya - maluvūr *ulias* Rājendrasinga-catm. agree to give paddy to the temple every year, for offerings etc., from lands cultivated by themselves.

510 of 1911; EC. ix. Cp. 128.

- Śermādevi (Tip.)—(Vaţţeluttu). Tirumagal-pola. cows for lamp. Sēravanmahādēvi-catm. was in Mullinādu of Rājarāja-vaļa-nādu. 713 of 1916.
- Tirumālpuram (NA.)—Gold by a native of the Pāṇḍya 342 of 1906. country.
- Meeting Tirumeyñānam (Tj.)—Tirumagal-pöla. Nālūr-nambimāruļļitta perunguri-mahāsabhai at the big hall called Gandaradittan. Mentions the Visnu temple Tirunārāyana-Vinnagar of Nālūr.

326 of 1910.

Year 23.—Tiruppugalūr (Tj.)—Nine gold flowers to Kōṇapperumāļ by Śelvan-āccan, one of the Śatrubhayankaraterinda Vēļam of queen Pañcavan-mahādēviyār.

62 of 1928.

" Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Tirumagaļ·pōla. 96 sheep for lamp by Udayan Ādittan of Taṇṇīrmuttam in Malaināḍu to Śrī-Veļi-Viṣṇugṛhattu Veḷḷaimūrti-ālvār; the Pēriļamaiyār of the place (ivvūr) to conduct the charity, subject to punishment for default at the hands of the Śraddhāmantus and the Śrī-Vaiṣṇavas.

182 of 1923.

Uttaramėrūr (Ch.) — Tirumagaļ-pūla. 96 sheep for lamp by a merchant of Naduvilangādi, and 15 kaļaūju of gold for a lamp to Tiruvāykkulam-udaiyār (Kṛṣṇa), by a resident of Gövindac-cēri. The vīragaṇattar of the place were trustees (puṇai) of the first gift. The gold was with the vaikhūnasas of the temple. The Sraddhūmantas had the power to punish default. All these arrangements were made by the sabhā.

187 of 1923.

" Uttaramērār (Ch.) — Tirumagaļ-pāla. 48 sheep for lamp to Veļļaimūrti-āļvār by a resident of Terkilangāḍi with the Kāļi-gaṇattar of the place (ivvār) as trustees (puṇai). The Śraddhāmantas and Śrī Vaiṣṇavas to punish default. The donor gave also a paḍikkam.

189 of 1923.

- Year 23, day 385—Tiruvāmāttār (SA.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. An enquiry into the affairs of the temple by Tāmuļān Korrinangi of Śirudhāmanallār, * the king's agent, and trustee of the temple, who ordered the distribution of certain offerings among 21 temple servants; in year 27, Vēļān Ārāran of Pudukkudi, who belonged to the king's perundaram, took objection to this distribution as it was against the śāstras. 22 of 1922.
- Year 24.—Jambai (SA.)—Tirumagal-pāla. The sabhā of Nerkunram alias Vairamēgha-catın. gave land in exchange

^{* 21} of 1922; year 26, day 206.

for fields taken up by the bed of their new tank, made by Bāṇa Maṛavan Narasimhavarman. 84 of 1906. *

- Year 24.—Kāļahasti (NA.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. Gold for lamp to the shrine of Manikkengai-mādēvar. † 298 of 1904.
 - "Karuttaṭṭānguḍi (Tj.)—Tirumagaṭ-pōlu. Arangan Kāri alias Sōlaviceādira Muttaraiyan of the Sirudanam of Rājarāja and of the Śingaṭāntakat-teriñja-Kudiraic-cēvagar caused the death of Kāri-kuļir-vāgai of the Iṭaiya-paḍai-irumuḍi-śōṭavīrar in a contest (Śrī-rāja-rājadēvar karṇavillekkat tōṭam eydu ?), and compounded with his relatives (ivanukkuravu murai kaḍavār * * * oḍum tirundi) and endowed a perpetual lamp in the temple of Mahādēva.

48 of 1897; SII. v. 1411.

- "Mělpādi (C.) Tirumagal-pōla. Sale of land, taxfree, for pavitrārōhaņa festival to Mahādēva of the Candramaulīśvara temple, by residents of Mērpādi alias Rūjūśrayapuram in Tūy-nādu of Perumbāṇappādi, for thirty kalañju of gold received from Araiśūruḍaiyān Īrāyiravan Pallavaraiyan ‡ alias Mummudi-sōlapōśan of Śō-ṇādu. 96 of 1921.
- " Mělpādi (C.) Tirumagal pēla. Land, tax-free, by residents of Mērpādi alius Rājāśraya-puram to god-Rājāśrayapura Viṭankar. 99 of 1921.
 - olagapuram (SA.)—Land by the nagarattar of Ulagamadevipuram for feeding 25 Brahmans in a salai attached to the temple. 134 of 1916.
 - Śērmādēvi (Tin.)—(Vaṭṭeluttu). Tirumagaṭ-pōla, Gift of 75 cows for three lamps to Nigarili-śōla-viṇṇagar-âlvār in Śēravan-mahādēvi-catm. by Divākaran Vāsudēvan.
 702 of 1916.

^{* 86} of 1906 of year 26.

[†] In ARE. 1904 II 21 this temple, Manikanthēšvaram, is taken to be of the time of Kulottunga III. This inscription shows that the shrine itself is older than the present structure of the temple. ARE. 1905 II 11.

[‡] Larger Leyden Grant; also 100 of Yr. 6 of Parak. Rājēndra; ARE. 1921 II 32.

- Year 24.—Sevilippēri (Tin.) (Vaţţeluttu). Tirumagal-pēla.

 Lamp by a native of the Cēla country; endowment left in charge of those who, for the time being, were responsible for the daily worship being conducted properly.

 419 of 1906.
 - , Tirumeyūānam (Tj.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. Gift of land by a merchant. Meeting of brahmadēyan-nālār nambi-māruļļiļļa mahāsabhaip-perungurip-perumakkaļ, at the Śri-rāja-rājanāna Periyambalam * in front of the Śamaparēśvara temple. 322 of 1910.
 - ", Tirunāmanallār (SA.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. Gifts of gold ornaments made in the thirteenth and nineteenth years engraved now by order. 358 of 1902; SII. vii. 988.
 - of Tiruturutti (Tj.)—Tirumagal-pōla. Assembly of Tiruturutti received 20 kāšu from Kūttan Madhurāntakan, a member of the Tailakula-kāla-terinja-parivāram, and agreed to burn a perpetual lamp in the temple.

 78 of 1931.
 - ". Tiruppugambiyam (Tj.)—Agreement by residents of Sankarappādi to burn a lamp in the temple on behalf of Rāman, a servant maid of Mēlai-vēļam called Madhurāntakat-terinda Vēļam of the king.

340 of 1927.

the assembly of Haccikudi alias Vikramašinga-catm., a brahmadēya in Maņņi-nādu in Rājēndrasimha Vaļanādu, to pay taxes levied in the land-survey made by order of the king on the lands at Šāttanūr, (a brahmadēya in Tiraimūr-nādu), belonging to the temple of Tiruvādu-turaiyudaiya Paramasvāmigaļ, in payment of the interest on money which they had received from the temple but could not pay back. 100 kuļi—one mā. In continuation is another record of year 25 by which the ūr of Iļangāri-kudi in Pērāvūr-nādu give land for a lamp.

cf. Kantharddittandna-periya-ambalattey of 326 of 1910. Year 23.

- Year 24.—Tiruvaiyānu (Tj.)—Tirumagal-pōla. Gold ornaments and vessels presented to the temple—a long and detailed list. The Uttarakailāsa * shrine (stone) in the temple was founded by Dantiśakti Vijanki and was called Lōkamahādēviśvara. 222 of 1894; SII. v. 521.
 - " Tiruvaiyāru (Tj.)—Ornaments and land to the same shrine founded by Dantiśakti Viţanki.

155, 156 of 1918.

" Truvāmāttār (SA.)—Gift by Tāmuļānkorrangi of a silver vessel and plate for keeping sacred offerings.

24 of 1922.

- " Tiruveņkāḍu (Tj.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. Gold for Śengaļunīrtiru-vāśigai and gold flowers to Tiruveņkāḍu-dēva by one of the Mūlaparivāra and one of the Mūlaparivāra-viṭṭēṛu (servants) of the king. 454 of 1918.†
- ", Tiruviśalūr (Tj.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. Land for offerings.

 Refers to a revenue survey made at an earlier date.

 44 of 1907.
- of Maṇalūr agree to supply annually four cloths in lieu of interest due from them to the temple—amudu paḍaippārkku vāy-kaṭṭukku nālu puḍavai.

 45 of 1918.

Year 24, day 124.—Parandūr (Ch.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. Mentions Citrakūṭam (king's palace?) at Tanjāvūr. General order relating to revenue; damaged, but same as the next. 73 of 1923.

Year 24, day 124.—Ukkal (NA.)—Tirumagal-pōla. Oral order of the king seated in the college (kallūri) to the south of the Citrakūṭa at the Taūjāvūr Periya-śeṇḍu-vāyil (hippodrome gate). Procedure regarding the execution of such oral orders indicated by this inscription.

29 of 1893; SII. iii. 9; PK. pp. 114-5.

- This is the modern name of a small shrine in the Pancanadēívara temple.
 SII. ii p. 278 n. 7.
 - + No regnal year appears in the text.

- Year 25.—Dādāmıram (SA.)—Sheep for lamps to the temple of Kundavai Viņņagar-āļvār by princess Parāntakan Kundavaip pirāṭṭiyār. Sēnāpati Mummuḍi Śōla Brahma-mahārāyar in charge of the management of the temple.
 - " Dādāpuram (SA.) Tirumagaļ-pāla. Sheep left with thirty shepherds for ten lamps to the Iravikulamāṇikka temple, by Kundavai who built the temple.

18 of 1919.

Māmallapuram (Ch.)—Tirumagal-pēla. A vyavasthā relating to division of land and some privileges among the Nagaram and the Pēriļamaiyār while Puduk-kuḍaiyān Ēkadhīran Aiymbadinman who was settling (vagai-śeyginga) the Āmūr-kōṭṭam was present in the nandavanam (flower - garden) to the south of the Jalaśayana-dēva temple of Nagaram Māmallapuram.

SII. i. 40.

- Nelvāy. Mentions Paūcavan Brahmādirāyan ruling Tagadūr-nādu granted to him as jīvitam by the king. He was an officer of the Perundaram, and his father was a native of Ariyūr and called Erumaiya-nālgāmuņdan.

 254 of 1909.
- "Tiruppurambiyam (Tj.) Lamp by Māyilaṭṭi of the Śirudanam of Rājarāja-dēvar. 339 of 1927.
- Nambirāṭṭiyār-ulōga mādēviyār and to Gaṇapati.

 Mentions land-survey commencing in the sixteenth
 year. 624-A of 1902; SII. viii. 223.
- Rājarāja's queen Dantiśakti Viţanki alias Lökamahādēvi, his daughter Kundavai, the queen of Vimalāditya, and his middle daughter Mūdēvadigal, to the shrine of Kṣētrapāla-dēva which had been built by the king.

633 of 1902 : SII. viii. 234.

Year 25.—Tiruvallam (NA.) — Tirumagaļ-pāla. A paṭṭam of eleven kaḷañju by Dharmakkaṭṭaḷai-tuḷai-nirai for Tikkāli-Aṇḍār by judges (niyāyattār) of the village.

221 of 1921.

nangi enquired into the temple affairs and arranged that the drummers engaged in the temple should, in return for some paddy, take out the god Candraśekharaperumāļ in procession thrice daily for śrībali. The drummers got the share of the paddy till then given to the Pallis for measuring the paddy due to the temple from the villagers, (kūl-aļavu-kūli).

16 of 1922.

" Tiruveņkādu (Tj.)—Thirty kāšu for lamp by queen Vānavan-Mahādēviyār alias Tribhuvana-mādēviyār.

442 of 1918.

- ,, $V_r ddh\bar{a}calam$ (SA.) $Tirumaga! p\bar{o}la$. Money for reading . . . in the temple. 50 of 1918.
- Year 25, day 154.—Uttaramērār (Ch.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. 'Two thousand kuļi of land by the Mahāsabhā for Tiruccennadai to the god in the Śrī-Purusöttama.

177 of 1923.

Year 25, day 310.—Tanjore — Tirumagaļ-pōla. Gifts to Umā-Paramēśvari by the elder sister of Śrī-Rājarāja-dēva, the Mahādēvi of Vallavaraiyar Vandya-dēvar.

SII. ii. 2.

Year 26.—Gangaikoṇḍān (Tin.) — Tirumagaļ-pōla. Land, by purchase from the sabhā, for offerings to Śrī-Kailāyattu Kṣētrapāla in Śrī Vallabha-mangalam, a brahmadēya on the south bank of the Taṇ-porundam.

160 of 1895; SII. v. 724.

" Jambai (SA.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. Mentions a Bāṇa chief named Maravan Narasimhavarman alias Rājarāja Vāṇa - Kōvaraiyar :— Sakala-surāsura - samadhigata-vijaya-śrī-manōhāri - vallabha - mahārāja - mahābali-kula - tilakāyamāna - Paṇṇaiśarirudaya - nandana

Nanda-giri-nātha Parivaipura-paramēśvara Vetcicihnālamkṛta vṛṣabha-lāñchana.

86 of 1906 *; El. xi. p. 239 n. 4.

- Year 26.—Kandomangalam (SA.)—Tirumagal-pāla. Land made into an agrahāra called after Tribhuvana-mahādēvi to the temples of Jayantāngi-Viṇṇagar-Paramasvāmi and Śrī-Kailāsam. 354 of 1917.
 - ", † Könërirājapuram (Tj.)—Tirumagal pōla. Land by Udaiya-pirāṭṭiyār to two persons at Pūngudi for singing Tiruppadiyam in the temple of Tirunallam-udaiyār.

624 of 1909.

- " Kuhūr (Tj.)—Money for lamp to Ādityēśvaram-Udaiyār temple at Kūhūr. 276 of 1917.
- " Serilippēri (Tiu.)—Tirumayaļ-pōla. Gift of land by the Mahāsabhā of Śrīvallabha-mangalam, a bruhmadēya in Kilkaļa-kūgram, a sub-division of the Rājarāja-maṇḍalam. 422 of 1906.
- Takkölam (NA.)—Tirumayal-pöla. 96 sheep for lamp.
 Takkölam is called Kṣatriya śikhāmaṇi puram, a
 taniyār in Maṇayig-kōṭṭam in the Jayangoṇḍa śōḷa maṇḍalam. 259 of 1921.
- " Uttaramērār (Ch.) Tirumagaļ-pāla. 48 sheep for half a lamp to Veļļaimūrti-āļvār by a lady of Panmaicceri; the residents of Panmaicceri were themselves the trustees (puṇai) and the Śraddhāmantas and the Śrī Vaisnavas had the power to punish defaults.

186 of 1923.

^{*} cf. 84 of 1906 of Year 24.

[†] Wednesday 12th July, A.D. 1010. Sewell, El. xi. p. 241.

- Year 26, day 20.—Tanjore.—Begins: "Ētad-viśva-nṛpa-śrēṇimouli mālāpalālitam Śāsanam Rājarājasya Rājakēsari varmaṇah." Tirumagaļ-pāla. The king, seated
 for making dānas, in the Kiļaittiru-manjanasālai of
 Irumaḍi-śōḷa within the Tanjāvūr Kōyil (palace),
 ordered that thero be engraved on stone all the gifts
 from himself, his elder sister, and his wives (nam-peṇdugaḷ) and other gifts to Śrī-Rājarājēśvaram-Uḍaiyār of
 the sacred stone temple built by him (nām eduppiccatirukkaṛṛaḷi) in the Tanjāvūr kūṇam of the
 Pāṇḍyakulāśani Vaḷa-nāḍu. 105 numbered paragraphs
 follow.

 SII. ii. 1.
- Year 26, day 206. Tiruvāmāttār (SA.) Tirumagaļ-pōla.

 Tāmnļān Korrinangi of Sirudhāma-nallūr, the king's agent and trustee of the temple, called together the sabhā and the ūr of the village, and enquired into the affairs of the temple, and finding the existence of a certain surplus of paddy due to measurement by the vīdiviļankan-marakkāl instead of by the rājakēsari, he ordered this surplus to be utilised for the daily supply of akkāra-adišil by name Jayangonda-šōļan to god. Mentions other gifts for lamps: also šālābhōga. 10 sheep for one kaļañju.

21 of 1922.

- Year 27.—Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Tirumayaļ-pōla. Ten kaļaūju of gold for which were got 90 sheep (for a lamp) left in charge of the ganapperumakkaļ who looked after the śrikāryam for the year. 204 of 1915.
 - "Ēmappērūr (SA.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. Sale by residents (Ūrōm) of Nalavūr of lands made tax-free to the trustees of the temple of Tiruvālandurai udaiya Paramasvāmin of Ēmappērūr for offerings thrice a day.

 513 of 1921.
 - "Kālahasti (NA.) Verse *Ētad-višva* followed by Tirumagal-pōla. Seems to enforce payment by the upāsakās of arrears of interest on some endowments.

299 of 1904.

- Year 27.—Ś. 933.—Sādhāraṇa.—Kallahaļļi (Mys.)—Death in a fight of Jebayya, son of Baļalcōra Nolambaseţţi who received Kolatūr Kal-nāḍ from Nannaiyabhūpa, "Samadhigatapañcamahāśabda Pallavānvaya Śrī Pṛthivīvallabha Pallavakula-tilakaikavākyam Kāñcī-puravarēśvara Śrīman Nolambādhirāja Cōrayyam rājyāļe." EC. x. Ct. 118.
 - " Kīļūr (SA.)—A new introduction. Conquest of Udagai in the campaign against Malai-nāḍu.

236 of 1902; SII. vii. 863.

- Mēlappaļuvār (Tri.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. At the request of his queen Nakkan Paūcavan-mādēvi, the daughter of Avani-kandarppa-purattu-dēvanār of Paļuvūr, the king provided for offerings and worship in the temple by granting an additional income of 900 kalam of paddy due on some lands which were surveyed and assessed, the dēvadāna lands of Uranguḍi being excepted.

 385 of 1924.
- " *Śērmādēvi* (Tiu.)—*Tirumaga*l-pōla. Lamp to Cōļēndrasimhēśvara. 192 of 1895; *SII.* v. 756.
- Śrmādēvi (Tri.)—The Aga-nāļigai Śivabrāhmaņas of the Cöļēndraśinga-iśvara agreed, on receiving twelve old kāšu, to burn a perpetual lamp to Kailāsattāļvār.

629 of 1916.

- the senior queen (mūtta-dēviyār) of Sölapperumān and the daughter of Vallavaraiyar. 14 of 1920.
- "Tiruppugalūr (Tj.)—Undertakiug by the Šivabrāhmaņas at Pugalūr to buru a lamp to Kōṇapperumāļ for money received by them from a Brahman lady named Gaṇapati Ponnūļvi alias Šōlai. 69 of 1928.
- " Tiruvadandai (Ch.) Tirumagal põla. Land for offerings in the Varāha-dēva temple by the residents of Taiyūr alias Rājakēsari-nallūr.

^{*} Text does not give the details given here.

- Year 27.—*Tiruveņkādu* (Tj.)—*Tirumagaļ pōla*. Provision for Sadaiyattirunāļ in Aippigai and for festival during the six days preceding. 115 of 1896; *SII*. v. 979.
 - ,, Tiruveņkādu (Tj.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. Twenty-two pon for lamp to Nāngūr Tiruveņkāda-dēvar by Vēļān Sundara-śōļan, the son of Kodumbāļūr Vēļān Śiriya Vēļān who fell in Īļam in the 3rd year of Udaiyār Pon-māļigaiyir-tunjina-dēvar. *

116 of 1896; SII. v. 980.

., Tiruvenkādu (Tj.)—Tirumagal-pōla. Setting up of a copper image of the goddess to Rṣabha-vāhana-dēva by persons of the Rājarāja-jananātha-teriñja-parivāra.

457 of 1918.

" Tiruverumbūr (Tri.)—Tirumagaļ-pēla, omitting munnīrp-paļandīvu-pannīrāyiramum.

100-A of 1892; SII. iv. 548.

- lamps. Mention seems to be made of a general tour of inspection by the king (dēvargaļ) in the course of which Kāļi Ādittan audited the accounts of the temple.
- Udaiyārgudi (SA.) Tirumagal pöla. Assembly of Viranārāyaņa-catm. met in the hall Rājarājan, and under orders of the great assembly, decided that a 1th share of all lands and tanks in the hamlet should belong to the Tiruvanantīśvara temple.

615 of 1920.

., Uyyakkondān-Tirumalai (Tri.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. 90 sheep for lamp to Karkudi-viļumiyār in Rājāśrayacatm., in Pāṇdi-kulāśani-vaļa-nādu. † The donor was queen Nakkan Arumoli alias Piridi-mādēviyār.

455 of 1908.

^{*} See MV. Ch. 54 vv. 12 ff. Mahinda IV. A.D. 954-70. Yr. may be (9) not (3).

⁺ Before and after this year, the village was in Kerajāntaka Vaja-nādu, ARE. 1909 II. 42.

Year 28.—\$. 934.— Balmuri (Mys.)—(Canarese.) King called also Kali Rājarāja. Conquests mentioned: Gangavāḍi, Malēnāḍ, Nolamba, Āndhra, Kongu, Kalinga and Pāṇḍya, all becoming Cōla-nāḍ. Lamp by general Pañcavan Mārāya, the Mahādaṇḍanāyaka of Bengi and Ganga Maṇḍalas. He is called Mummuḍi-Cōlanagandhavāraṇam and is said to have seized the Tuluva and Konkaṇa, held Malēya, pushed aside the Cēra, Teluṅga and Raṭṭiga.

5 of 1895; EC. iii. Sr. 140.

Year 28.—Jambai (SA.)—Tirumagal-pōla. "A merchant of Jambai had a concubine whom a native of Nāvalūr (now Tirunāmanallūr) attempted to outrage at night. The latter was stabbed by the merchant. The merchant could not be prosecuted. He combined with a relative of the deceased and gave gold for a lamp to burn in the Tānrōnri-ālvār temple at Jambai."

77 of 1906; ARE. 1907 II. 42.

- , Śērmādēvi (Tin.) (Vaṭṭeluttu). Tirumagal pōla.

 Land by purchase for two lamps in the Nigarili-śōlaviṇṇagar-ālvār temple by a certain Vellai-Vaḍugapungi-śittar. 711 of 1916.
- " Sevilippēri (Tin.)—(Vaṭṭeṭuttu). Tirumagaṭ-pōla. Mentions Neccura-nāḍu in Rājarāja maṇḍalam. The village Ten-tirumālirunjölai was situated on the north bank of the river Taṇporundam. 411 of 1906.
- " Tadimalingi (Mys.)—Tirumagal-pöla. Grant of land to temple in lieu of 100 kalañju of gold (by kem-pönagaraśa-nigaik-kal) taken out of the temple treasury by the gāmuņdas of Māyilangai of Idai-nād.

491 of 1911; EC. iii. Tn. 35.

- " Tirukkaļittaļtai (Tj.)—90 sheep for lamp by Vēmban Ślrudaiyār alius Minavan Mahādēviyār, queen of Rājarāja-dēva. 301 of 1908.
- .. Tirumalavādi (Tri.) Tirumagaļ pāla. The king ordered that the central shrine of the temple should be rebuilt, and that certain original inscriptions in the

temple were to be preserved by being copied in a book. * 92 of 1895; SII. v. 652.

- Year 28.—Tiruttani (NA.)—Tirumagal-pōla. Sale of land taxfree by the assembly of Jananātha-catm. to a private person for feeding pilgrims going to and returning from Śri Vēngadam. 430 of 1905.
 - " Tiruvenkādu (Tj.) Tirumagaļ-pōla. Lamp by the mother of queen Villavan Mahādēviyār, named Nakkan Ulōga-cintāmaṇiyār.

117 of 1896; SII. v. 981; also 447 of 1918 (same).

" Tiruvenkādu (Tj.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. Gold for offerings to Āda-vallār in the temple of Tiruvenkādudaiyār by Kūttan Vīrāṇiyār, a queen of the king.

449 of 1918.

- Year 28, day 141.—Tirumukkūdal (NA.) Tirumagal-pōla. The great assembly of Madhurāntaka-catm. including the young and the old met together in the Sembiyan-mahādēvi-perumaṇḍapam built by the king† and agreed to pay the ūrijai, and ulavijai on certain temple lands from the interest on 100 kalañju of gold which they had received from the temple treasury. One of the signatories was the accountant of the samvatsara-vāriyam.
- Year 29.—Ādanūr (Tin.)—(Vaṭṭeluttu).—25 sheep for 2 lamps.

 433 of 1909.
 - " Maļūrpatņa (Mys.)—Ētadvišva . . . and Tirumagalpēla. A dēvadāna on the day of consecration of Jayangoņda-sēļa-viņņagar-āļvār.

507 of 1911; EC. ix. Cp. 130.

" Majūrpaina (Mys.)—The mercantile community provide for offerings in the temple by voluntary contributions.

508 of 1911.

^{*} cf. 91 of year 14 of Rajandra.

⁺ Evidently for the meetings of the assembly -ARE. 1916 H. 10.

^{‡ 171,} same day, lays down the details of expenses to be met from this land.

- Year 29.—Maļūrpatņa (Mys.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. Meeting of the assembly of Periya-maļuvūr alias Rājēndra-śingacatm. in the temple and gift of a dēvadāna on the day of consecration. 510 of 1911; EC. ix. Cp. 128.
 - " Maļūrpaţņa (Mys.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. Gift of a dēvadāna by the assembly of Vaṇḍūr alias Śōḷa-mādēvicatm. to the temple of Jayangoṇḍa-śōḷa-Viṇṇagarāḷvār: "Pirutiṣṭhai-seyda-nāḷ ittēvar śrī-kōyililē nāngaḷ kūttakkuraivarak-kūḍiyirundu ittēvarkku udakapūrvañjeydu" etc.

513 of 1911; EC. ix. Cp. 132.

- " Mělpādi (NA.)—Tirumagal-pāla. Construction of the Cölēśvara alias Ariñjigai-Iśvara temple by Rājarāja and gifts to it. 83 of 1899; SII. iii. 15.
- "Mělpādi (NA.)—Tirumagal-pōla. Gift of a děvadána to Ariñjigai Iśvara Mahādēva by the Nagarattār of Pulikkunram: "Nīr-nilamum kollaiyum kādum utpada-(vuṇṇi-lamo)ļivinri ippulikkunrattu ni(lam) eppērppaṭṭadum iltēvarkku vēṇḍu nivandanan-gaṭukkut-tēvadāna iraiyili-yāga." etc.

84 of 1889; SII iii. 16

- " Mělpādi (NA.)—Tirumagal-pōla. Gift by a cultivator of 96 sheep for the supply of ½ Rājakēsari measure of ghi every day for lamp to: "Ārrūrt-tuñjina-dēvarkku pallippadaiyāga Udaiyār Śrī Rājarāja-dēvar eduppittaruļina tiru Variñjišuvarattu Mahādēvarkku." *

 86 of 1889; † SII. iii. 17.
- " Rajakkal (NA.)—Tirumagal-pāla. 600½ kuļi of land by residents of Eļādsļēl for offerings in three services to god Agastisvara. Measuring rod kadigaikaļattuk-kāl.

 172 of 1921. ‡
- " Senkungam (NA.)—Tirumagal-pōla.—Twenty pon by a Brahman to merchants of Jayangoṇḍa-śōlapuram
- *A temple on the burial place (pallippedei) of Aggurtunjina-deva (Venkayya) ARE, 1907 II 30.
 - † 'Written in beautiful florid characters' Hultssch.
 - 1 No. 178 in continuation of this mentions Sissnan-padinagusan-köl.

(in Anda-nādu, Perumbāṇappādi) for purchase of 180 sheep for a lamp at 9 sheep per kāśu. Liquid measure jayangouda-śōlaraiyan. 149 of 1921.

- Year 29.—Sevilippēri (Tin.)—Lamp by a merchant of Karavandapuram in Kalakkudi-nādu. 418 of 1906.
 - Tanjore.—Tirumagaļ-pāla. List of villages that had to supply accountants, māņis and treasurers in accordance with the royal order and rates of remuneration for the servants of the temple.
 57 of 1893; SII. ii. 69.
 - " Tanjore.—Tirumagal-pāla. List of villages in the Cōla country which had to supply watchmen in accordance with the king's command.

58 of 1893; SII. ii. 70.

- Tanjore.—Tirumagal-pēla. List of persons to whom cattle had been assigned for the supply of ghī at the rate of 1 measure by Ādavallān every day for each lamp which meant 96 sheep or 48 cows or 16 buffaloes.

 20 of 1897; SII. ii. 63.
- " Tanjore.—This is a continuation of the preceding inscription. It gives the information: 1 kāśu was equal to three sheep. (paras. 18 and 21)

21 of 1897; SII. ii. 64.

" Tanjore.—List of metal pinnacles (stūpik-kuḍam) for the different shrines in the temple with names of donors and description including weight. A gift of year 3 of Rājēndra is mentioned.

24 of 1897; SII. ii. 90.

- Tanjore.—Catalogue of jewels.
 25 of 1897; SII. ii. 32 (ll. 1-54); v. 1383-1401.
- " Tanjore.—An image of Durgā by a native of Nallūr alias Pañcavan-mahādēvi-catm. and gifts of jewels to it described in detail. 26 of 1897; SII. ii. 79.
- " Tanjore.—An image of Śrikantha and jewels for it by queen Prthivi-mahādēviyār, detailed description.

27 of 1897; SII. ii. 80.

Year 29.—Tanjore.—An image of Kālāpidāri glven by the son of a Perundanam of the king, described.

28 of 1897; SII. ii. 81.

- Tanjore.—Sevon copper images of Ganapati set up by the king, described. 30 of 1897; SII. ii. 84.
- ,, Tanjore.—Ornaments to Parivārālayattu Gaņapati by king Rājarāja. 32 of 1897; SII. ii. 86.
- Tanjore.—Ornaments to Parivārālayattu Gaņapati by a paņimagan of the king. 33 of 1897; SII. ii. 87.
- " Tanjore.—A vessel to same by Rājarāja-dēvar paņimagan puravu-varitmaikkaļattu varippottaga nāyakan (master of rent-roll in the department, tinaikkaļam, of taxes from endowments-Hultzsch) Pāṇḍyakulāśani-Vaļanāṭṭu Purkiļiyūrnāṭṭuk-kāmadamangalam-uḍaiyān Kānjan Koṇḍaiyan. 34 of 1897; SII. ii. 88.
- " Tanjore.—Ornaments to Ganapati.

35 of 1897; SII. ii. 89.

- Tanjore.—Silver vessels by king Rājarāja from his own treasures, and the booty of silver vessels captured in the campaigns in Malai-nāḍu against the Cēra and the Pāṇḍya.

 36 of 1897 *; SII. ii. 91.
- "Tanjore.—King's grants to the temple including five villages in Ceylon † (continuation of SII. ii. 4)

37 of 1897; SII. ii. 92.

.. Tanjore.—Tirumagal-pūla. Ornaments by the king out of the Cēra and Pāṇḍya treasures and his own.

38 of 1897 : SII. ii. 93.

- " Tiruvadandai (Ch.)—Tirumagal-pöla. Fifteen kalañju of gold by a merchant of Kodungölür in Malai-nādu
- * It looks as if the king had more gold and precious stones at his disposal, than silver. Hultsch.
- † Răjarāja's foreign conquests were not mere inroads. Note omission of details of measurement unlike in villages in the Cöla country, and removal of previous holders in some cases. Money revenue more common outside the Cöla country than in it. Hultsech.

for feeding 30 Brahmans in the Āļvār temple at Tiruvaḍandai from interest (paddy) given by the residents (ūr) of Taiyūr in Kumili-nāḍu of the Āmūr-kōṭṭam to the sabhā of Tiruvaḍavandai. The loan is called vāḍākkaḍan. 260 of 1910.

- Year 29.—*Tiruvaiyāru* (Tj.)—*Tirumagaļ-pōla*. Silver vessels by Viṣṇu-Vardhana-Mahārāja alias Vimalāditya-dēva, the king's son-in-law, to Lōkamahādēvi-Īśvaram-uḍaiya Mahādēva. 215 of 1894; SII. v. 514.
 - " Tiruvisalūr (Tj.)—Village called Vēmbarrūr alias Sõļamārtāņda-catm. in Maņņi-nādu, a sub-division of Rājēndrasimha-vaļa-nādu. Mentions the performance of tulābhāra by the king, and of hiraņyagarbha by his queen Dantišakti-viṭankiyār alias Lökamahādēviyār in the temple of Tiruvišalūr. 42 of 1907.*
 - well called Rājarāja, and of a totti by a servant of the king.

 22 of 1893; SII. iii. 4.
 - " Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Tirumagaļ-pōla. 90 sheep by a lady of Trivikramac-cēri for a lamp to Veļļaimūrti Āļvār of Śrī Veļi Viṣṇugṛha. 178 of 1923.
 - " Uyyakkondān Tirumalai (Tri.) Gold ornament (pattam) called Jayangonda-šūlan. 468 of 1908.
- Year 31.—Kanyākumāri (Tri.)—Begins perumbugat Kāvirājakēsari. The dēvakanmis of Rājarāja-Iśvaramudaiyār of Kumarikkalikkudi sell some land to the Nārpatteņņāyiravar for the establishment of a taṇṇ̄rppandal named Jayangoṇḍa-śōlan, † the erection of a Kāvaṇam and the plantation of useful trees in the area which may be enclosed (surrumadaittu) for the purpose.

 TAS. i. 168-9.

[•] Inscription below a sculpture representing the king and queen in a wor-shipping attitude - K.V.S. Aiyar; EI. xii. p. 121, **. 2.

[†] T.A.G. Rao took this to be a surname of Rājādhirāja, and assigned the record to Rājarāja II who was a Parakēsari. 252 of 1915 (Brahmadēsam NA), is another record with year 31 which may be of this king.

Ś. 9(2)3.—Kāncīpuram. (Ch.) — (Sanskrit) Records genealogy of E. Cāļukyas up to Danārņava; and several titles of Cōļa Bhima whom Rājarāja conquered.

237 of 1931 *, EI. xxi. pp. 29 ff.

Ś. 929 (Prabhava). † — Kalēyūr (Mys.)—Tēyakulatilaka Malepakulakāla Koṭṭamaṇḍala - nātha Apramēya was a pillar of victory. He defeated the Hoysala minister Nāgaṇṇa; slew in battle at Kalavūr the Hoysala leaders Mañjaga, Kāliga (or Kāļi-ganga), Nāgavarma and others, winning by his valour in the plain of Kalavūr a name to endure for ever.

353 of 1901; EC. iii. i. Tn. 44.

The regnal year is missing or uncertain in the following:-

Bannār (Mys.)—(Kanarese) Tirumagaļ-pāla. Grant to temple at Muttatti. Kuḍamalai-nāḍu is here clearly Koḍaga-malē-nāḍum (Coorg hill country).

EC. iii. Tn. 122.

Brahmadēšam (Tin.)—(Vaţţeluttu.) Sale of land.
381 of 1916.

- Kāvērippākkam (NA.) Mentions the Cōļa feudatory Parāntakap - pallavaraiyan of Umbaļa - nāḍu; also Jananātha-dēva and Mummudi-Cōla 414 of 1905.
- Kövalür (NA.)—Sale of land by the assembly of Kövalür.

 438 of 1922.
- Kuhūr (Tj.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. Land by Vayirikuṭṭēran alias Śōlaviccādira-Pallavaraiyan, headman of Kūrūr, for offerings to a shrine constructed by him.

304 of 1917.

Kuttālam (Tin.)—Tirumagaļ - pāla. States that when the temple had become dilapidated it was repaired and

^{*} No. 238 records the presentation of ornaments to the temple, and the construction of a tank, Cōla samudram, and a temple. Mentions the Ganga family, a Pōla-rāja, Cōla Bhīma Vaidumba.

[†] Date irregular. Kielhorn considers this of no 'value for historical purposes,' El. iv. 67. ARE, gives S. 9(28).

the old inscription which was in vattam characters was re-engraved in Tamil on the new stone wall. Śaḍaiyan is prefixed to the name of the king. Records a gift of land by residents of the village of Viṇṇandai alias Vikrama-Pāṇḍya-nallūr in Köṭṭu-nāḍu, a sub-division of Īla-maṇḍalam, for a lamp to Tirukkuttālattu-bhaṭṭārakar.

454 of 1917.

Kuttālam (Tin.) — Tirumagaļ-pōla. Mentions the reengraving in Tamil of old Vatteļuttu records.

455 of 1917.

Māļambi (Cg.)—The king heard of Manija's heroism in the battle of Paṇasōge and sent word to Paṇavan-Mārāya to bind on him a paṭṭa (inscribed with the title) Kṣatriya-śikhāmaṇi Kongāļva * and give him Māļavvi. Witnesses: Gövinda Rācamma's family.

633 of 1912; EC. i. 46.

Maļūrpatņa (Mys.)—Gift to temple by Nigarili-śōļapurattu nagarattār.

509 of 1911; EC. ix. Cp. 131.

Nārāyaṇavanam (C.) — Tirumagaļ - pāla. Rājarājakēsarivarman - Vikkiyaṇṇan Pugaļvippavargaṇḍan † of the (Ca)ļukki family and two other chiefs of the Vaṭṭiya-nāḍu gave certain privileges to the Veḷḷāḷas of that district in (Kunra)-vattanak-kōṭṭam.

375 of 1911.

Pallikonda (NA.)—Provision by the assembly for a festival to Bhaṭāriyār in the village by levying the water-tax due from certain specified residents of the village. Near by is another record of about the same time,—an undertaking by the assembly to maintain offerings to and worship of the Bhaṭāriyār from an endowment by Gōvinda Kāṭaka Sarvakratuyājiyār of Kaṭamūr, a member of the gaṇa.

477 of 1915.

^{*} This occurred in 1004 A.D. and was the origin of the Kongalva line-EC. i. pp. 16-7. See also year 28-No. 5 of 1895; and Rice - Mysore and Coorg, pp. 144 ff.

⁺ A title of the Iladas, like whom, the Calukki were perhaps a local family subject to the Colas. ARE. 1912 II, 21.

- Talaccangādu (Tj.)—Gift, of 100 kāšu to be raised in the manner specified, by the assembly of the place for feeding, in the name of Rājarāja, ten Brahmans in the temple Tiruccitrakūḍattu-ālvār and for havirbali to the deity.

 198 of 1925.
- Tanjore.—Mentions one of the pañcadēhamūrtis of copper placed in the temple of Rājarājēśvaram Udaiyār by the king till his 29th year. 275 of 1911.
- Tennēri (Ch.)—Tirumagaļ-pāla. Regulation of dues on areca gardens. 200 of 1901; SII. vii. 412.
- Tiruccatturai (Tj.)—In praise of a Côla feudatory. Mentions victories in Puna-nāḍu and Malai-nāḍu, defeat of Vaļudi, destruction of Viļinam and of Karkadaimā-nagar, as well as defeat of Telunga Bhima.

204 of 1931. *

- Tirukkalittattai (Tj.)—Rājakēsari. Silver pot to the temple of Śrī-kudittiţţai-mahādēva at Vēmbaggūr by Śembiyan-mahādēvip-pirāţṭiyār who gave birth to Uttama Cōla-dēva. 297 of 1908.
- Tirumaiyam (Pd.)—Mentions Perumbilugu Perundevi, the mother of Videlvidugu-Vilupperadi-Araisan alias Sattan Maran. 403 of 1906.
- Tirurallam (NA.) Tirumagaļ-pēla. 96 sheep by Šēļa-mahādēviyār, daughter of Tiṭṭaipirān and queen of Rājarāja-dēva, for a lamp in the Brahmīśvara shrine in the temple of TiruttIkkāli-āļvār; also gold for a chauri and offerings.

 223 of 1921.
- Tiruvāmāttūr (SA.) Tirumagaļ pōla. A certain Guņašēkharan of Vēšālippādi made a jewelled gold vessel for the sacred bath of the deity and a pair of bracelets set with precious stones.

 23 of 1922.

Said to be in characters of the 12th century and victories assessed to the time of Kulöttunga I and Vikrama Cola at ARB, 1931 ii 30.

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(Acc. 27th March.—7th July A.D. 1012)

Ś. 943 *—Nandigunda (Mys.) — Tiru manni valara. Mallagāvunda gave land to Mallēśvara.

2 of 1895; EC, iii. Nj. 134.

Ś. 945. — Jōdi-Daļasigers (Mys.) — (Kanarese) Gold to temple. 57 gadyāņa in gold, 359 golden grains of rice, and 42 poruļ; for Brahmans and ascetics 37 poruļ.

171 of 1911; EC. ix. Ht. 10.

Ś. 9(48) †—Marasanahalli (Mys.)—(Kanarese) Pūrva-dišamum Gangaiyum konda. Construction of a sluice.

179 of 1911: EC. x. Cb. 13.

Ś. 956. — Kurubahalli (Mys.)—(Kanarese). Death of Cangāļva Binjavunira-dēva, son of Baniki Bunkara- Gavada, in fight with Cangāļva Nāyaka. Mentions former's wife Pādikabbe of the Kaundigā-kula.

495 of 1911; EC. iv. Yd. 37.

S. 963.—Siddhanahalli (Mys.)—(Kanarese). Death of a heroine in a cattle-lift after the recovery of the lost cattle.

173 of 1911; EC. ix. Ht. 11.

Year 2.—Honganür (Mys.)—Grant of tax-free land, after purchase, for offerings by the assembly of Punganür alias Trailökya-mahādēvi-catm.

199 of 1911; EC. ix. Cp. 42-A.

" Kuttālam (Tin.)—Rājēndrasimhs. Lamp by a certain Veļļān-dēvan Paṭṭālagan, a native of Pāgūr.

479 of 1917.

Year 3.—Karuttaṭṭānguḍi (Tj.)—Sale of land tax-free to the temple by the sabhā of Pērālattūr for 75 kāśu.

44 of 1897; SII. v. 1407.

* Wednesday March 1st, A.D. 1021.—Earliest correct date in current Saka year. Kielhorn El. iv. 69.

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Year 3.—Karuttaţţăngudi (Tj.)—Sale of land tax-free to temple for 20 kāsu by an individual; attested by witnesses.

45 of 1897; SII. v. 1408.

- Kilār (8A.)—100 sheep by Rāman Mummudiśöla for the merit of his mother Rājaśēkharan Umai-nangaiyār, who was the danghter of Munaiyadiyaraiyar and the dēvi of Paṭṭālagan Rāman alias Arumolidēva-milāḍudaiyār.
 13 of 1905.
- "* Majūrpaṭṇa (Mys.)—Gift of a tax-free dēvadāna by the sabhā of Trailôkya-mahādēvi-catm. alias Punganūr with right of irrigation from a tank in the neighbour-hood: "Maṇalūr ēriyiningum nīr-pāccik-koļļa candirādittaval nīr-pāya udakapūrvañjeydu koduttōm Maṇalūr ūrkku samanda Kottayan Uttaman āna Solaviccādiru gāmuṇḍanum Iḍava gāmuṇḍanum uļļiṭṭa ūrōm." The fine for obstructing the irrigation was fifty kaļanju.
 506 of 1911; EC. ix. Cp. 127.
- "Majūrpatņa (Mys.) Agreement between the dēvakanmis of a temple and the sabhā of Vandūr alias Śōļa-mādēvi-catm., regarding a perpetual lean in paddy (nellumudal) of 320 kalam and the interest due on it every year (100 kalam) and the methods of enforcing its payment. 512 of 1911; EC. ix. Cp. 129.
- " Närttamalai (Pd.)—Tiru manni valara. Fragment. 358 of 1904.
- " Nattam (Ch.)—Mentions Parameśvara-mangalam alias Nigarili-śóla-catm., the meeting of the sumvutsaravāriyam who had met in the Rājendraśólan-catuśśálai; and Kañjāran Aiyan Süryan who was the settlement officer (vagai ścyginga) of the district (köţiam)

262 of 1912.

Pandāravādai (Tj.)—Sale for 70 kāsu of 9 mā tax-free by the big assembly of Rājakēsari-catm., to Āļvār Śrī Pirāntakan Śrī Kundavaip-pirāṭṭiyār, for the maintenance of a free dispensary founded by her,

[&]quot; Year said to be lost in ARE, 1912.

Savarnan Araiyan Madhurantakan being the name of the physician. * 248 of 1923.

Year 3.—Śērmādēvi (Tin.)—(Vaṭṭēluttu). The vaikhānasas of Nigarili-śōla-viṇṇagar in the Nigarili-śōla-catm., undertake to burn half a lamp for kāśu deposited with them. "Eriyādoliyil angu śri-kōyil vāriyam śeyvārē muṭṭina neyyiraṭṭi aṭṭuviccu erivippārāgavum.... Ipparisu oṭṭi ikkāśu koṇḍa vaikhānasarōmil munninrōmē erippōmānōm."

179 of 1895; EL. v. p. 47.

- " Śērmādēvi (Tin.) -- Assignment of a street with houses by Mahāsabhā of Nigarīli-śōļa-catm., for residence of Tigai-yāyīrat-taiñāgguvar. 651 of 1916.
- got money from a private person and declared some lands below the tank Brahmādhirāyap-puttēri rent-free in order to provide for offerings and lamp to the local temple of Mahādēva.

 289 of 1912.
- " Tanjorc.--Vessels in copper, zinc (tarā), and bell-metal (venkalam) to ālayattup-pillaiyār in the temple by Udaiyār Śri Rājarājīšvaram Udaiyārkku Śri-karyañjey-ginga Poygai-nādu Kilavan Ādittan Sūryan alias Tennavan Mūvēnda Vēļān.

31 of 1897; SII. ii. 85.

- , Tirukkāravāšal (Tj.)—Tiru manni vaļara, † to Maņnaikkadakkam. Land by purchase for lamp to Tirukkārāyil-uḍaiyār. 451 of 1908.
- " Tirumukkādal (NA.) Three kalaāju of gold by niraikkal, yielding interest of 9 maājādi per year for offerings at Māśi-makham. Price of paddy taken to be 40 kādi per kalaāju as an average ‡ (ēriluā-jurungilum).

^{*} ARE. 1925 II. 14, cf. 249 of year 7.

[†] Usually no introduction in records earlier than year 5-ARE, 1909 II. 48.

[‡] Con. 245 of about 20 years later. Interest and prices tripled, ARE. 1916

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- Year 3.— Tirumukkūdal (NA.)—Twenty-five vēli of land by Rājarāja-dēva, seated on Rājāsraya, given at the instance of Dāmodarabhaṭṭan of Kadalangudi, * who was made madhyastha (naduvirukkam) in the temple of Mahādēva at Tirumukkūdal. 196 of 1917.
 - " Tiruvāduturai (Tj.)—Gift, by a native of Tiruvīlimilalai, a brahmadēya, of paddy from interest on which the Siva-brāhmaņas of the temple agreed to get daily three pots of water for the sacred bath from the Kāvēri during the three services.

 116 of 1925, †
 - " Tiruvaiyāgu (Tj.)—164 gold flowers to the Uttarakailāsa shrine (modern name) by Dantišakti alias Lõka-mahādēvi, queen of Rājarāja.

220 of 1894; SII, v. 519.

., Tiruvaiyāgu (Tj.)—Seven bronze lamp-stands to Ulōka-Mahādēvi-Īśvaram-udaiya Mahādēva at Tiruvaiyāgu by Dantišakti Viţankiyār, queen of Rājarāja.

152 of 1918. 1

- " Tiruvalañjuļi (Tj.)—Two gold flowers to Kṣētrapāladēva (of the stone temple built by Dantišakti alias Lôkamādēvi) out of the gold used for her hiraņyagurbha in the temple of Tiruvišalūr in the 29th year of Rājarāja. 633-C. of 1902; SII. viii. 237.
- free 1000 kuli of land to Vaidumban Sankara-deva Somanatha to whos ename are prefixed the same epithets as those of Tiruvaiyan Sankara-deva (Rājarāja I Yr. 16-SII. iii. 51). Somanatha assigned the land to the Mahadeva temple of Tiruvaiya-Isvara which the members of his family had caused to be built on the southern side of Tiruvallam-Udaiyār; he also gave 96 sheep for a lamp.

 82 of 1889; SII. iii. 53.

^{*} This person appears also in the Larger Leyden Grant, ARE. 1918 IL 26.

^{† 117} n.-d. is a list of images and lamp-stands (with details) in the temple of Tiruvadutugai-udaiyar in Sattanur alias Abhayasraya-catm. (cf. 104. n-d.)

¹ cf. 154 of year 21,

- Year 3.—Tiruvenkādu (Tj.)—Money, 46 kāśu, to temple for offerings and festivals and feeding by a cavalier of the king's troops (taḍi-mārum-kudiraiccēvagar), a native of Aṭṭuppaḷḷiniyamam.

 459 of 1918.
 - " Tiruvegumbūr (Tri.)—Eight kāšu to the Śri Köyiludaiyār for lamp to Tiruvegumbūr-udaiya-mahādēva by one of the āļungaņattar of Śrikantha-catm. 100 of 1914.
 - " Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—45 sheep for a lamp at night at the gate called Ekanāyakan-tiruvāśal.

200 of 1907.

- " Tiruvišalūr (Tj.)—Gold to provide šidūri for the incense. 15 of 1907.
- " Tiruvišalūr (Tj.)—Ornaments by the queen of the Pāṇḍya Śri-vaḷḷuvar. 46 of 1907.
- " Tiruvišahār (Tj.)—Bilver kalaša by a queen.
 340 of 1907.
- Tiruvišalūr (Tj.) Mentions the building of the Tiruccurrālayam and the gāpuram to Tiruvišalūr Mahādēva temple at Vēmbarrūr alias Śri Śōlamāttāṇḍa-catm.

 341 of 1907.*
- Tiruvisalūr (Tj.)—Land for lamp by Nakkan Sembiyanmādēviyār, queen of Rājēndra. 348 of 1907.
- Judaiyārgudi (SA.)—Gift, by Kamban Madhurāntakan, a member of the elephant corps (perundarattu ānaiyāļ); lamp-stand and gold for lamp and offerings on specified days.

 598 of 1920.
- daily offerings to Rāghava-dêva in the temple of Vellai-mūrti-āļvār, and for flower-garden, with the stipulation that food offered at the two services should be given away to the Śrī Vaiṣṇavas reciting the Tiruppadiyam hymns.

 181 of 1923.

cf. 52 of 1907 of Vikramaečja, a surname of Rijendra. ARE. 1908 II. 55.

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- Year 3.—Uttattūr (Tri.)—Death (?) of a certain Śrutimān Nakkan Candiran alias Rājamalia-muttaraiyan of the elephant-corps, when, in a fight with Satyāśraya*, he was ordered by the king to pierce the (enemy's) elephant.

 A gift was made on his behalf to the temple of Mahādēva at Ürrattūr.

 515 of 1912.
 - " Uyyakkondān-Tirumalai (Tri.)—Survey of temple lands and change of tenants under orders of the king residing in his palace at Palaiyāru. 463 of 1908.
 - " Uyyakkondān-Tirumalai (Tri.)—Records the survey mentioned in the last inscription. 473 of 1908.
- Year 3, day (3)50.—Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Gold for offerings by Indaļadēvī, wife of Vallavarasar Vandya-dēvar. Sabhā of Parākramacēļa-catm. take charge of the five kaļanju given. Measure: Šrī Poļandaiyan-marakkāl.

 191 of 1915.
- Year 4.—Alagādriputtūr (Tj.)—Land for offerings at the shrine of Sūrya-dēva constructed in the temple by a native of Kallūr in Mēl-vēmba-nādu in Pāṇḍi-nādu alias Rāja-rāja-maṇḍalam. Mentions Knrugūr Maḍam where the assembly of Paradāyakudi (a hamlet of Alagādriputtūr) met to make a gift to the temple. The maṭha was to the north of the village tank.

289 of 1908; ARE, 1909 II, 43.

- Allur (Tri.)—Provision for feeding five Brahmans on new-moon days.
 365 of 1903.
- " Dādāpuram (SA.)—Sheep for ten lamps to temple of Kundavai-viņņagar by Kundavaip-pirāṭṭiyār.

12 of 1919.

Kāļahasti (NA.)—96 sheep for a lamp for the merit of a soldier killed in a private quarrel. Mentions Śirudanattu Edirili-śōļa-terinda-valangai-vēļaikkārar and Śirudanattu-iļaiya-rāja-uttamaśōļa-terinda-valangaivēļaikkārar and Śirudanattu-śōļa-sikhāmaņi-terindavalangai-vēļaikkārar. 286 of 1904.

^{*} Hottle inscription of A.D. 1007-8 in Fleet DKD. p. 433. ARE, 1918

- Year 4.—Kāncīpuram (Ch.)—Sale of land by merchants (mā-nagaram) of Kāncīpuram for offerings and worship to god Gaṇapatiyār Kāncīpura Alagar on the northern side of the temple called Anjānjaṇḍi-ambalam-Rājēndra-fōļan.

 76 of 1921.
 - "Kāvantandalam (Ch.)—Land by sabhā as iraiyili dēvadāna to temple of Rājēndra-cēļēśvara built by a revenue officer (nādu vagai-śeyginra) Piccan.

210 of 1901 : SII. vii. 423.

- Kīṭūr (SA.)—Gift by Pirāntakan-yādava-bhīman alias Uttama-cōļa-milāḍuḍaiyār of the Bhārgava-gōtra at the request of Araiyan Malaiyarādittan alias Cēdināḍu-vēļān of Āviyūr. The sabhā of Tirukkōvalūr sold land for the purpose. 20 of 1905.
- Kuttālam (Tj.)—Sale of 8 mā of land tax-free to temple by the assembly of Villavanmādēvi-catm., on payment of 43 kāśu. 104 of 1926.
- " Magkāṇam (SA.)—Taxes on a salt-pan for two lamps to Tiruppūmiccuram-uḍaiyār by the ūr.

24 of 1919,*

Miñjār (Ch.)—Land for festivals etc. in the temple of Śōlakulasundara - vinnagar-ālvār at Miñjūr by the ārār. Mentions Kalladiśvaram-udaiyār.

133 of 1916.

,, Śērmādēvi (Tin.)—(Vaṭṭēṭuttu). Deposit by a Brahman lady of six kāśu in the hands of the Vaikhānasas for half a lamp before Nigariliśōla-vinnagar-ālvār.

708 of 1916.

- " Tiruvadi (SA.)—90 sheep for lamp by one of the Jananāthat-terinja-valangai vēļaikkārar of Pangaļa-nādu. 393 of 1921.
- .. Tiruvāduturai (Tj.)—Sale of land and house sites for one hundred and twenty kāśu, current and capable of passing for full value, by the assembly of

^{*} cf. 23 of 1919 (Rajaraja I, Yr. 19.)

Palaiya-Vānavan-mādēvi-catm. (in Innambūr-nādu of Rājēndra-simha-vaļa-nādu) to Āļvār Śrī-Pirāntakan-Śri-Kundavaip-pirāṭṭiyār who conferred it on Savarṇan Araiyan Candraśēkharan alias Uttama-Cōļa-acalan and his descendants as the physicians of the village. The transaction was engraved on the temple walls by order of the king. Another record (113) in continuation is the undertaking by the assembly to pay the taxes on this land and on the houses in return for 80 kūśu got from the donor.

112, 113 of 1925. **

- Year 4.—Tiruvaiyāru (Tj.)—Śakkadi Samudaiyan alias Śembiyan-mādēvip-perundaṭṭān appointed to the Taṭṭarāk-kāṇi of the Ulöka-mahādēvi-Iśvaram by order of Dēviyār Dantiśakti.
 216 of 1894; SII. v. 515.
 - " Tiruvallam (NA.)—Araisūrudaiyān Īrāyiravan Pallavaraiyan alias Uttamasõla-Pallavaraiyan, of the Perundaram of the king, had built a shrine Rājarājēsvara; he bought 2000 kuļi of land tax-free for 50 anrādunarkāsu from the inhabitants of Tiruvallam for two lamps to the shrine. 299 of 1897; SII. iii. 54.
 - " Tiruvenkūdu (Tj.)—90 sheep for lamp by a servant (adigāricci) of the queen. 463 of 1918.
 - .. Tiruvenkādu (Tj.)—Money, 333 kāšu, yielding interest 41g kāšu per annum, for incense etc., by queen Nakkan Karukkamandāļ alius Paūcavan-mādēviyār.

464 of 1918.

" Tiruvišalūr (Tj.)—Gift of land as šalyakriyābhōga by Āļvār Śri Pirāntakan Kundavaip-pirāttiyār while she was in the palace (kōyil) at Palaiyāru.

350 of 1907; also 351.

" Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Umbrella with 19,908 pearls with a gold ornamental handle (?) of 25\(\frac{1}{4}\) kaļanju by the Kaikkolas of Viranārāyaņa-catm., a brahmadēya in Rājendrasimha-vaļa-nādu. 613 of 1920.

^{*} cf. 248 of 1923 of Year 3.

- Year 4.—Ukkal (NA.)—Sale of land, 3000 kuļi, by Mahāsabhā as bhōgam for two boats (ōḍam) given to the tank of the place by a servant of the king. Also sale of five picottahs (ēttam) besides one already bought for the ōḍam.

 27 of 1893; SII. iii. 10.
 - " Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Land, 720 kuļi, by sabhā of Uttaramērūr alias Rājēndrašōļa-catm., set apart as tax-free Bhavişyak-kiḍaippuram, to enable a person to reside permanently (nirantaram) in the village and teach, (ōduvippārāga).

 29 of 1898; SII. vi. 312.
 - " Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—480 kuļi of land set apart as Tayittiriyak-kidaippuram by the Mahāsabhā.

33 of 1898; SII. vi. 316.

- Year 4, day 84.—*Uttaramērūr* (Ch.)—Hereditary appointment of a Śivabrāhmaṇa to the place of *arcaka* in the Subrahmaṇa temple. He was to perform the usual services (munbu-śeyyak-kaḍava-nibandam) with the temple lands.

 53 of 1898; SII. vi. 336.
- Year 4, day 114.—Tiruvallam (NA.)—While Naduvirukkum
 Puvatta Bhatta Sõmayājiyār of Kottaiyūr was seated
 in the hall Arumoli-dēvan on the north side of the
 temple of Sõlendrasimha-Isvaram-udaiyār at Melpādi
 alias Rājāsrayapuram and audited the temple accounts,
 the scale of expenses of the Tikkālivallam-udaiya-mahādēva temple was fixed in conformity with the inscription engraved on stone by Madhurāntakan Gaṇḍarāccan
 in the 7th year of Rājarāja * and with other relevant
 factors.

 227 of 1921.
- Year 4, day 352.—Tirumukkūḍal (NA.) 120 kāḍi of paddy for offerings on new moon days. Mentions Rājarājavādya-mahārājan an earlier donor and the officer Sembanguḍaiyār whose order the sabhā carries out in appropriating the paddy in a detailed manner for expenses.

 175 of 1915.

[&]quot; cf. 10 of 1890 of Year 7 Rajaraja I.

- Year 5.—Ammangudi (Tj.)—Tiru manni valara (Frag). Land tax-free to Rājarājēśvaram - udaiya - mahādēva. Also provision for lamp. 236 of 1927.
 - " Embādi (NA.)—Tiru manni vaļara up to šemborriruttagumudiyum. Order issued by the king in year 5 from his palace at Paļaiyāru regarding the dues from the village Perumadi. The village had not paid up even by year 25, day 32. 585 of 1906.
 - "Kaļattūr (NA.)—Tiru manni valara. Land for offerings etc. to Tirukkumbiśvaram-uḍaiya Mahādēva at Paūjirai-kaļattūr alias Vikramašinga-catm. Mentions Kūttan Tiruvēngaḍa-dēvan, an adigāri of Uḍaiyapirāṭ-ṭiyār.
 - "Karuttattāngudi (Tj.)—Tiru manni valara up to Maṇṇaik kaḍakkam. Gold diadem made out of gold accumulated till year 4 in various ways including pīḍiligaivāri and gifts by different donors. The diadem was called Rājēndraśōṭan-paṭṭam.

50 of 1897; SII. v. 1413.

- Kilappaluvār (Tri.)—Tiru manni valara to Mannaikkadakkam. Lamp by Ariñji-mādēvadigal, * a pendātti of Nambirāṭṭiyār Pāṇdi-mādēviyār, on behalf of her daughter Arumoli-dēvan Bhōgi Bhaṭṭan Gaṇḍarāditti. 235 of 1926.
- ,, Könērirājapuram (Tj.)—Damaged. Mentions year 3 and Āļvār † Parāntakan Kundavaip-pirāṭṭiyār and her palace at Palaiyāru. 639 of 1909.
- " Olagapuram (SA.)—Tiru manni valara to Mannaikkadakkam. Records previous gifts of land to the temple not recorded before and now caused to be engraved by the tanduvān for the year. Mentions Kalikondap-pērēri and Gandarādittap-pērēri.

140 of 1919.

^{*} A striking instance of misguiding names having no reference to the status of the persons bearing them,

[†] Probably died between years 3 and 5 of Rajendra. ARE. 1910 II 20. Centra 249 of 1923 year 7 and ARE. 1924 II 14 where this mistake is corrected.

- Year 5.—Sinnamanür (Md.)—Tiru manni valara up to Mannaikkadakkam. Sale of land for a lamp to Durgāparamēśvariyār by the sabhās of three villages, Arikēsarinallūr, Arpagaśekhara-mangalam and Mandragauravamangalam met in the śrivāśalgāpuram of Durgāparamēśvariyār.

 439 of 1907.
 - ,, Tiruppalātturai (Tri.)—Tiru manni vaļura. Last conquest mentioned is Īļa-maṇḍalum. * Land.

257 of 1903; also 275; † SII. viii. 650, 674.

- lam. Lands of the temple exempted from taxes by the assembly of Bhūlōkamāṇikka-catm., and provision made for worship to Śrī-kāmēśvaram-uḍaiyār and recitation of the Vēdas. Endowment was 50 kūśu yielding 75 kulam interest per annum. 52 of 1928.
- " Tiruvallam (NA.)—Tiru manni valara to İļa-maṇḍalam. Sale of land by Vāṇapurattu-ūr, tax-free, with
 well, ēri-nīrkkāl and ētta-nīrkkāl and irrigation right.
 Notable phrases: εngaļūr mañjikkamāy vigga nilam;
 nīr vilaiyum maggu šilligai šōgu-māṭṭu veṭṭi umañjiyum maggum kāṭṭappegādōmānōm.

4 of 1890; SII. iv. 327.

- "Tiruverumbūr (Tri.)—Tiru manni vaļara to Maņņaikkadakkam. Land for offerings to Tirumalai-āļvār of Tiruverumbiyūr by ūr. Grant made in Rājarāja's time, year 21. Mentions māļigaik-kōl. 99 of 1914.
 - " Tiruvišalūr (Tj.)—Provision for feeding Brahmans.

 Mentions Uruttiran Arumoļi alias Piruti-mahādēviyār,
 queen of Rājarāja-dēva. ‡ 349 of 1907.
- " Tribhuvani (Pondicherry) Tiru manni valara up to Ila-mandalam. "This temple of Naduvil-vira-nārāyaṇaviṇṇagar at Tribhuvanamādēvi-catm., a brahmadēya in Jayangoṇḍa-śōḷa-maṇḍalam, shall be under the

Ceylon must have been conquered before 1015-6 A.D. ARE. 1908 II 55.

^{† 275} is dated Tuesday 26th March. A.D. 1017-E1. viii 262 (Kielhorn.)

[‡] cf. 27 of 1897.

protection of the regiments of Śri-Vādanūr Tillaiyāļipperumbaḍai and Pallāyiravan of our lord Rājarāja-dēvar." 174 of 1919.

- Year 5.—Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Tiru manni vaļara up to Maṇṇaik-kaḍakkam. Land for various purposes to Śrī Kṛṇṇa in the temple of Kongaraiyar called Rājēndra-śōḷa-viṇṇagar by the sabhā of Uttaramērūr alias Rājēndra-śōḷa-catm. The endowment was in charge of the Śrī-Kṛṣṇa-gaṇap-perumakkaḷ. 174 of 1923.
 - " Vṛddhācalam (SA.)—Tiru manni vaļara up to Īļa-maṇḍalam. Gold, 10 kaļañju, for lamp to Negkuppait-tirumudukungam - uḍaiyār by Śembiyan - dēvaḍigaļār, daughter of Paḷuvēṭṭaraiyar and wife of Muññai Vallavaraiyar. 39 of 1918,
- Year 5, day 230.—Brahmadēšam (NA.) Tiru manni vaļara to Īļa-maṇḍalam. 90 sheep for lamp to Pondai-mahādēva in Karikköṭṭup-piramadēyam alias Parākrama *-śōļacatm., in Tiruvēgambapuram. Mentions Mandaragauravanār Kundā-dēviyār (wife of) Vallavaraiyar Vandya-dēvar, † chief of the sāmantas.

243 of 1915.

- Year 5, day 281.—Paṇḍāravāḍai (Tj.)—Tiru manni vaļara up to Īja-maṇḍalam. An undertaking by two shepherds to supply ghī, ¼ measure daily, for lamp to the central shrine of Tiruccēlūr-dēva for 90 sheep received by them from Āļvār Śrī Parāntakan Śrī Kundavaippirāṭṭiyār ‡ 256 of 1923.
- Year 6.—Kandiyūr (Tj.)—Tiru manni valara up to Palpalandivum. A long record giving interesting details of the expenditure in the temple of Kandiyūr situated in Āyirattaļi. 22 of 1895; SII. v. 578.

^{*} Surname of Rajaraja I, ARE. 1916 II 8.

[†] In other Brahmadesam records, the wife is called Indala-deviyar. The Tanjore records mention another wife - Parantakan Kundavai. The chieftain was perhaps a native of Kongu (157 of 1915) - ARE. 1916 II 13.

¹ See n. to 639 of 1909 Year 5.

- Year 6.—Kilappaluvūr (Tri.)—Tiru manni valara up to Palpalandīvum. Undertaking by the priests of the temple of Tiruvālandurai-āļvār to measure out a stipulated quantity of ghī daily for 15 kāśu received by them from the temple treasury. 227 of 1926.
 - " Mēlpāḍi (C.)—Tiru manni vaļara up to Palpaļandīvum 72 kaļañju gold at the instance of Īrāyiravan Pallavan alias Uttamaśōļa Pallavaraiyan, lord of Araiśūr, for 720 sheep, distributed among shepherds who had to supply two measures of ghī daily by the Rājakēsari measure. Adhikārin Udayamāttāṇḍa Mūvēndavēļān executed the order.
 - Mentions assembly of Nigarilisõla-catm., which included 12 members of the samvatsara-vāriyam doing srī-kāryam. Details of prices, wages and yield of land.
 - "Paṇḍāravāḍai (Tj)—Tiru manni vaļara to Palpaļandīvum. Two lamp-stands and 90 sheep for lamp to Tiruccēlūr-mahādēva at Rājakēsari-catm., * in Nallūrnāḍu by Āļvar Śri-Parāntakan Śrī-Kundavaip-pirāṭṭiyār. 239 of 1923.
 - Sērmādēvi (Tin,)—(Vaṭṭeluttu). Tiru manni valara up to Īļa-maṇḍalamuļudum. Gift of hereditary karāṇ-mai over a dēvadāna tank to the merchant Mannērk-kāḍan alias Tirunīlakaṇḍa-śeṭṭi of Nagaram Rājēndra-śōlapuram, by the assembly of Nigarili-śōla-catm., a brahmadēya in Muḷḷi-nāḍu in Rājarāja-maṇḍalam, the merchant being required to pay two kāśu to Kailāsam-uḍaiyār as uļavu-kāśu on each vēli of land.

614 of 1916.

" Suldenahalli (Mys.)—The nāṭṭār of Kaivāra-nāḍu in Gangapallapuram (of Nulumbapāḍi alias Nigarili-śōļa-pāḍi) make an arrangement for the sacrifice by the

^{*} Perhaps after Āditya I. Rājagiri, a small place a mile from Köyil Tövarāyanpēţţai, has ruins of temples, now forming private premises - ARE. 1924 II 8.

Kurattiyar of the nādu of a goat (ādu) on each Tuesday to Bhattāraki Muṇdēśvari of Jayangoṇḍa-śōla-catm. 484 of 1911; EC. x. Kl. 26.

Year 6.—Tirunāgēšvaram (Tj.) — Tiru manni vaļara to Palpaļandīvum. A jewel to temple made from the accumulated income (antarāyattil kūḍina mudal) from the fief (kāṇi) of Adigaļāccan, one of the Iļaiyakuñjira-mallar in the army of Rājēndra-Cōļa-dēva commanded by Adikārigaļ Śōḷa-Mūvēndavēļār.

211 of 1911.

- " Tiruppattūr (Tri.)—Tiru manni vaļara to tiruttagumudiyum. Gift by Uttamašõļa * Milādudaiyār. Mentions Tiruppidavūr-sabhā. 587 of 1908.
 - Tiruvāduturai (Tj.)—Tiru manni valara up to Palpalandīvum. Sale of nañjai and puñjai, 2 vēli, 8 mā each of common land, tax-free (cost 10 kāśu, irai-kāval 190), to the temple by the assemby of Abhayāśraya-catm. alias Śāttanūr met at the Ulagaļandān to the north of the temple. Mentions the māļigaik-kōl by which 100 kuļi was a mā. Also land given to the temple in year 5 by the ūr of Kāranūr in Pērāvūrnādu for a lamp.
- riruvāduturai (Tj.)—Tiru manni vaļara to Palpaļandīvum. Sale of one vēli of land to the temple for forty kāšu by the assembly of Pērāvūr, a brahmadēya in Pērāvūr-nādu, with an undertaking to pay all its taxes for a further sum of 90 kāšu received by them.

109 of 1925.

- " Tiruvālangāļu (NA.)—Copper-plates. SII. iii. 205.
- " Tiruvallam (NA.)—Tiru manni valara up to Palpalandīvum. Sale of waste land by residents of Vāṇapuram. 220 of 1921.
- ., Tiruvilakkudi (Tj.)—Tiru manni valara up to Tolperungāval Palperundivum. Detailed description of taxfree lands endowed for flower-gardens and śribali to

^{*} After a surname of Räjendra - ARE. 1909 II. 48.

Tiruverudupāḍi-mahādēva in Kaḍalanguḍi also known as Viḍelviḍugu-catm., in the (2)0, 24, and 27th years of Rājarāja by the residents of Kaḍalanguḍi, Iḍaiyāru and Pāṇḍūr. Also gift by his queen Arumoli-dēviyār made in year 2 of Rājēndra of 50 cows of which only 26 survived in year 5.

- Year 6.—Tribhuvani (Pondicherry)—Tiru manni valara up to Palpalandīvum. The great men of the village of Tribhvana-mādēvi-catm., made an order that every 6 mā of land irrigated by the tank Madhurāntakap-pērēri must pay one kalam of paddy as ēri-āyam and that the tank-committee must collect this and maintain the tank in good repair.

 192 of 1919. **
 - " Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Tiru manni vaļara up to Palpaļandīvum. Apportionment by the village assembly of shares in arcanāvṛtti among the four Vaikhānasas of Kongaraiya Śri-kōyil in lieu of those held by them at Araśāṇimangalam, an arcanābhōga. 171 of 1923.
 - wife of one of the ālungaņattār of the village.

302 of 1911.

- ", Vēlaccēri (Ch.)—Tiru manni vaļara to Palpaļandīvum.

 Sale of lands held by non-brahmans to the temple with the king's permission.

 311 of 1911. †
- Year 6, day 185.—Tiruppanangili (Tri.)—Tiru manni valara up to Palpalandīvam. Under the supervision of the mālaparuḍaiyāv, the perumakkaļ of the Mēlaic-cērimaṇiyambalam administer an endowment of 150 kāśu for Śiru-kālaip-paruppup-pānagam. The schedule of expenses gives the information that 2 nāļi paruppu (dholl)—kuruṇi irunāļi paddy; one pidī of ghi=2 nāļi paddy; sugar one palam=two nāļi of paddy; and that one porikkariyamudu=four nāļi of paddy.

 91 of 1892; SII. iv. 538.
 - cf. 66 of 1919 of 20 Tribh. Cn. Kulottunga. AKE 1919 II 17.

[†] Though this number is not quoted, this record seems to be treated at ARE. 1912 II 23 as a sale by public auction for default in payment of taxes.

- Year 7.—Elaburige (Mys.)—Irāsēntira-śōļa-dēvar. Below a female figure: "represents wife of Mūkkaiyan" who performed sati. Mūkkaiyan was the gāmuṇḍa of Kuļattūr

 MAR. 1917, p. 42.
 - "Könērirājapuram (Tj.)—Tiru manni vaļara to Ceylon conquest (variation at end). Some drummers of the temple undertook to beat drums, and blow horns and conches during the early morning service in consideration of the money they received from a private person.

 642 of 1909.
 - " Kuhūr (Tj.)—Tiru manni vaļara. Sale of land by the assembly of Tirupperundurai, a brahmadēya in Tirunaraiyūr-nāḍu. Mentions a revenue survey.

296 of 1917.

- " Paṇḍārarāḍai (Tj.)—Tiru manni vaļara up to tiruttagumuḍiyum. Sale of house-site (1½ grounds) to
 Āļvār Śri Kundavaip-pirāṭṭiyār by a resident of Kalākarac-cēri of the village, to make up the deficit in the
 vaidyabhōga provided by her for the hospital called
 Sundara-śōḷa-viṇṇagar-ātula-śālai at Taṇjāvūr. The
 vaidyabhōga given by her in year 3 (No. 248)
 and the present gift were to be enjoyed by Savarṇan
 Araiyan Madhurāntakan and his descendants who were
 natives of Marugal. Both these transactions were
 engraved by the big assembly by order of the princess
 communicated to them from the palace at Paḷaiyāru. *
 249 of 1923.
 - Rāmanāthan Kāyil (Tj.)—Tiru mannı valara. Land for worship aud offerings to god in the Pañcavan-Mahādēviśvaram built as a pallipadai † at Palaiyāru attas Mudikonda-śōlapuram in Tirunagaiyūr-nādu, a sub division of Kṣatriya śikhāmaṇi vala nādu. Mentions Tiruvādirai as natal star of Rājēndra aud Rēvati as that of his queen; also Lakulīśvara Paṇdita who supervised the affairs of the temple.

271 of 1927.

^{*} This palace was the home of Rajondra, cf. 463 of 1908 (year 3)

[†] This word is sought to be erased in the record - ARE. 1927 II 13.

- Year 7.—Sangēndi (Tri.)—Tiru manni vaļara * up to tiruttagumudiyum. Sale of land to Kailasamudaiya-mahadeva by the assembly of Sangendi-mangalam for money given by a lady for a lamp. Another gift of land by the same assembly for offerings. 325 of 1928.
 - Senkungam (NA.)—Tiru manni valara to tiruttagumudiyum. Land, tax-free, to Jayangonda-śöllávara, by merchants assembled in the hall (built by) the supervisor of Vikkūr alias Jayangonda-sõlapuram. Details 152 of 1921. of temple expenditure given.
 - Tanjore.—Tiru manni valara to Sandimat-tivu (Kērala). Money to image of Śri-Kantha deposited with the karanattār by the Perundanattuk-karmigal of Rājēndra Cola and lent out to villages on interest at the rate of 3 kuruni paddy per kāśu per annum.

29 of 1897; SII. ii. 82.

- Tiruvadi (SA.)-Tiru manni valara up to Palpalandivum. 90 sheep for lamp by a captain (nayakan) of the Rājakuñjaratteriñja-villigal of Enanallürk-kadagamāna-udaiyār-padai. 394 of 1921.
- Uyyakkondān-Tirumalai (Tri.)—Tiru manni valara to Palpalandīvum. 90 sheep for lamp by Śōlai-irājasingam, for merit of her mother Devan Pegramai, the pendātti of Rājēndra-sola Irukkuvēļār of Kodumbālūr. 97 of 1892; SII. iv. 544.
- Year 7. day 186. Tiruvallam (NA.) Tiru manni valara to (tiruttagu) mudiyum. Deposit of gold in temple treasury for the daily supply of tumbai flower and an extra quantity of it on Sankranti days to Tikkalivallam-udaiyār. Grain measure pañcavārakkāl.

226 of 1921, †

Year 7, day 229.—Tirumukkūdal (NA.)—Tiru manni valara to tiruttagumudiyum. Detailed regulation by the sabhā of Madhurantaka-catm., a taniyūr, of the cultivation a Nandavana belonging to Mahā-viṣṇu

'In later characters. † 228 of year 14, day 187, is similar.

Tirumukkudal by the Vaikhanasas of the temple, and provision for the expenses of cultivation. Wages, manure, irrigation, and lease and cultivation rights dealt with.

172 of 1915; ARE. 1916 II. 11.

Year 8.—Agaram (Ch.)—The king constructed the village of Vānamangai and settled in it 4000 Brahmans.

232 of 1931.*

- " Ambāsamudram (Tin.)—Tiru manni vaļara to tiruttagumudiyum. Lamp to temple of Tiru-šālait-turai-āļvār of Iļangōkkudi, a hamlet of Rājarāja-catm., by a native of the Cōļa country. 74 of 1907.
- Kāmurasavalli (Tri.)—Tiru manni valara to tiruttagumudiyum. Land made tax-free by assembly met in the Kailāsam-udaiyār temple after being summoned by double bugle (iraļļaik-kāļam). 72 of 1914.
- "Kīļappaļuvār (Tri.)—Tiru manni vaļara up to tiruttagumudiyum. Sabhā of Sigupaļuvūr took fifty kāśu from Innāṭṭu-mannu-perumpaļuvūr Adigaļ Paļuvēṭṭaraiyarpeņdāṭṭi Virāṇan-oggiyūr. 104 of 1895; SII. v. 665.
- "Kūlār (Mys.)—Tiru manni vaļara to tiruttagumuļiyum. Five bustaloes for one lamp left with the Śivabrāhmaņas of the temple. EC. x. Kl. 106 (a)
 - Puñjai (Tj.)—Tiru manni valara to tiruttagumudiyum.

 Decision of the assembly (mūlaparudai) of Talaiccangādu met at Mummudi-šōlan-maṇdapa to pay taxes, in return for fifty kāśu, on two vėli of land at Pūdanūr which had been purchased by the Periyatali-mahādēva temple for expenses of the Vaigāśi festival and of feeding Brahmans on the occasion. It also agreed to pay taxes on two vēli of temple land at Kilppulam in lieu of interest on 100 kāśu which had been received by it on kaiyeļuttālai from the same temple. Engraved by order of the assembly on the walls of Tirunannipalli-udaiyār.

No. 231, 235 refer to the king's construction of the Kailasanatha temple in the village.

Year 8.— Śembiyanmahādēvi (Tj.) — Tiru manni vaļara to tiruttagumuḍiyum. Remission by village assembly of taxes due on land granted for a flower-garden to the temple. Another remission of taxes on other lands given to certain images including one of Śembiyanmahādēviyār. Mentions Vikramašōļa-vadi.

481 of 1925.

- , Sivapuram (Ch.)—Tira manni valara to tiruttagumudiyum. Two lamps by the king to the Rājarājēśvara temple in Urōdagam in Puriśai-nādu of the Maṇayigkōṭṭam. Sheep 180. 18 of 1896; SII. v. 881.
- yum. 32 cows by a private individual for milk to god for the merit of the king's mother Tribhuvanamädeviyar. 276 of 1921.
- " Tirunāgēśvaram (Tj.)—Tiru manni vajara up to tiruttagumudiyum. Gift of 48 sheep for half-lamp by a pendātti of Udaiyār - ānaimēgruājinār - vēļam alias Abhināna-bhūsaņat-terinda-tiruvandik - kāppu - vēļam for merit of her daughter. 212 of 1911.
- " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Tiru manni valara up to Iraṭṭapāḍi conquest. Fifty kāśu for sale of land by sabhā to Tribhuvana-mahādēviyār Vānavan Mahādēviyār, queen of Rājēndra-śōḷa-dēvar, for offerings and worship to images of Candraśēkhara Perumāḷ and his consort set up by her. Tiruvanantēśvara of the temple is called nammāladeyvam by the sabhā. 624 of 1920.*
- Year 8, day 50.—Tinnevelly—Tiru manni vaļara † up to tiruttagumudiyum. Enquiry by Adigārigaļ Brahmaśri-kiļār into the Kāyil-karumam. Mentions the Tirunelvēli Vaļanjīyar who gave 5½ nilam in Kannanūr as dēvadāna igaiyili.

157 of 1894; SII. v. 449.

In App. F of ARE. 1921 this record is treated doubtfully as of Rajandra I or II.

[†] Later characters-copy?

Year 9.—Agaram (SA.)—Tiru manni valara up to tiruttagumuliyum. Deliberations of the great assembly of Nrpatunga-Sentangi-catm. atias Jananatha-catm. relating to the occupation of temple land (of Mahāśāstā) by artisans and others, and the assignment, in return, of several kinds of services to them such as conducting worship, supplying oil for lamps, keeping watch over the temple etc.; mentions Sāttagaṇattar.

386 of 1922.

ý. 943 *—Belatāru (Mys.)—Rebuilding of an old temple
and its consecration after Rudra-höma and large scale
feeding. Gift of land to it.

139 of 1898; EC. iv. Hg. 16.

- pādi conquest. 96 sheep for lamp in the temple of Tiruvūgal-āpdār at Takkōlam alias Kratriyasikhāmaņipuram. Six kāsa for supply of flowers given on the 345th day of the same year. 37 of 1923.
- S. 943.—Marār (Mys.)—(Kanarese). Mentions the Nāṭṭaraya Hulimadda and his part in the administration of justice. In this case capital punishment was awarded for assault and manslaughter.

497 of 1911; EC. iv. Hs. 10-11 †

- " Mēlpādi (C.) Tiru manni vaļara up to Iraţṭapādi.

 Some shepherds give an undertaking, before Maḍamudaiya Ilakuļiśvara Paṇḍitar Kanmigaļ, to secure the
 supply of ghī for a lamp by a shepherd Ēran Śāttan
 under all circumstances. 85 of 1889; SII. iii. 18.
- guest. Fifteen cows for one lamp by Vellalan Śingansolai resident of Dēvanapalli. The temple authorities (ivvār-śrīkōyiluḍaiyōm) undertake to protect the charity. "Nāgingina śūlam pogiccu śāvāmūvāpperumbaśuvāgak-kāttu" etc.

69 of 1890; SIL iv. 393,

^{*} July 7, 1020 A.D. Kielhorn EL iv p. 21.

[†] Obscure language difficult to interpret-Rice (n. to Eng. Trans.)

Year 9. *—Tirukkaļittaļļai (Tj.)—Tiru manni vaļara up to navanidikkulapperu-malaigaļum. Remission of taxes on temple land in Vēmbarrūr alias Šēļamārtāṇḍa-catm., by the mahāsabhā of that village. Mentions a survey. The taxes included; siddhāya-kāśu; pañcavāra-nellu; payaru, tuvarai and other ūriḍuvari; ēri-īvu; śilvari. The remission was made after taking 65 kāśu from the Śri-Kuḍittiṭṭai temple. The names of śēris in the place give surnames of Rājarāja.

292 of 1908.

- " Tirukkalittattai (Tj.)—Tiru manni valara to conquest of Irattapādi. Similar to the above (292). Mentions a kadigai (ghatikā) in Vēmbarrūr which included this village and Tiruviśalūr; as also many šēris of the town.

 293 of 1908.
- Tirumukkūdal (NA.)—Tiru manni valara to navanidikkulapperu - malaigaļum. 90 sheep for lamp by the headman (kilavan) of Kāmavūr-Kiliñalūr to tho north of Vānavan-Mahādēvi-catm., a taniyūr.

170 of 1915.

- ,, Tiruvadi (SA.)—Tiru manni vaļara up to Iraṭṭapāḍi conquest. One hundred kāśu by Aņukki Śāttan Rāmadēvi, a peṇḍāṭṭi of the Periya-vēļam of Rājēndraśōla, to the Nagarattār of Adiyaraiya-mangalam, who had to give as interest fifty kalam of paddy to the temple for offerings on specified occasions. Mentions Arumolidēvan marakkāl.

 401 of 1921.
- " Tiruvāduturai (Tj.)—Tiru manni valara. Sale of land, tax-free, to temple by the assembly of Kāvanūr for 100 kāśu. 128 of 1925.
- yammai 12 kalam of paddy at interest of 3 kuruni of paddy annually for offerings during the Sittirai festival.

 Another gift by same donor of 28 kalam (yielding annually 7 kalam at 3 kuruni per kalam) for feeding dancing girls during the festival.

 28, 29 of 1918.

Wednesday, 8th February 1021, Jacobi., El. xi. p. 121.

- Year 9.—Tiruvišalūr (Tj.)—Twenty-five kāšu for a lamp to Umāsahitar by a native of Pāṇḍi-nāḍu. 346 of 1907.
- Year 9, day 38.—Tirumukkūdal (NA.)—Tiru manni vaļara to tiruttagumudiyum. 90 sheep for lamp by Maņdainangai, the senior wife of Perundanam Rājarājan alias Vānavan Brahmādhirājan, in charge of kalaniand ūr of Kūdalūr. 174 of 1915.
- Year 10. Kottaśwaram (An.) (Kan. and Tamil). This Mandapa erected by Arēyaru Rājarājan alias Vikrama Cola * Coliya-varaiyan, chief of Sattamangalam in Tiremnr-nadu and commander of the forces (of the king), on the 40th day opposite the 160th (of this year). Below are titles: Nālamadi Bhīma, Cōlana-cakra, and Samantabharanam in Kan.; Nanmadibhiman and Sāmantābharaṇan in Tamil, perhaps titles of the chief who built the Mandapa. Another record (24)-Edirttavarkālan and Ahitarottalivan in Kan.; and Vayirinārāyanan and Virabhīman in Tamil, of about the same period (as in No. 23). No. 30-is Tamil verse mentioning Nanmadivima and Telungar. On same pillar in old Kannada: Jayaśingakulakāla and Sāmantalaprahāri. No. 31-Tamil verse mentions battle with Kalingas, Oddas and Telungas; also titles in Nāgari: Ahitarottaliva etc.

23, 24, 30 and 31 of 1917.

Tudi-malingi (Mys.) — Tiru manni valara. Mušangi is here called Mayal. Apparently Gangapādi was called Mudikonda - cola-mandala; and Māyilangai (Malingi opposite Tulakkād on the other side of the river) was called Jananāthapura: Gangapādiyāna Mudikonda-sola-mandalattu tenkurai - nāṭṭu - Māyilangai tan (yāna?) Jananāthapurattu.

490 of 1911; EC. iii. Tn. 34.

- " Tanjore—Tiru manni valara up to navanidikkulapperu-malaigaļum (i.e., Iraṭṭapāḍi). Loans from endowments to Mahāmērn Viṭanka and his consort (set up
- * Surname of Rajendra ? ARE. 1917 II. 2. cf. 752 of 1917.

by Rājarāja), by the śirudanattup *-panimakkal, for interest at the rate of mukkuruni per kāśu per annum (Continuation of SII. ii 82 of year 7).

SII. ii. 83.

Year 10.—Tirumālpuram (NA.) — Money for supply of four kaļanju of Śidāri by a native of the Cōļa country,

292 of 1906.

" Tiruppugalūr (Tj.)—Tiru manni vaļara up to kulapperu-malaigaļum. Remission of taxes on the temple land by the assembly of Bhūlōka-Māṇikka-catm., in consideration of 150 kāśu from the temple.

44 of 1928.

- Tiruvāndārköyil (Pondicherry)—Tiru manni vaļara to kulupperu-malaigaļum followed by: Pāradu nigaļa pāndi-mandalattu-Maduraiyil māļigai eduppittu tan mayan Šāļa pāndiyan engabhigēkañjeydu tandārc-cālaikkalumagutta köpparakēsari. 363 of 1917.
- Muyangi and a little more. Mentions copper image of Alagiya Maṇavāla caused to be made by the mother of Rājēndraśōla-Anukkap-pallavaraiyar.

444 of 1908.

- of Irattapādi. Sixty kāśu by the headman (kidān) of Ārkkādu for the daily supply of 1000 lotuses for worship. The assembly met in the hall constructed by Tennavan Vilupparaiyar, called nammaganār by the king. Assembly calls the Tiruvanantēśvara nammūladeyvam. 625 of 1920.
- " Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Tiru manni vaļara up to conquest of Iraṭṭapādi. Agreement by some villagers to supply the flowers stipulated in No. 625 as interest on 60 kāśu received by them from the treasury of the temple.

626 of 1920.

^{* &#}x27;Servants of the minor treasure' (SII. ii. p. 405) servants or officers of the king when he was young (itgu-danam) - ibid n. 2,

- Year 10.—Uyyakkondān-Tirumalai (Tri.)—Tiru manni vaļara up to conquest of Iraţţapādi. Paddy for abhisēka to the god on the king's birthday (ārdrā) to Tirukkarkudi-viļumiya-dēva.

 464 of 1908.
 - Velaccēri (Ch.)—Tiru manni valura to conquest of Iraṭṭapāḍi. Assembly (mahāsabhā) of Veliccēri sold 1500 kuļi of land to the temple, and receiving 13 kāśu made the land tax-free. Also gift of 23 kāśu for a lamp by a Brahman lady.

 305 of 1911.
- Year 10, day 107.—Mēlpādi (C.) Tiru manni vaļara to Iraṭṭapādi conquest. Paddy and money of the temple not properly appropriated for expenses since the third year. As a result of audit by a royal officer, a fresh allocation is made.

 102 of 1921.
- Year 11.—Aguram (SA.)—Tiru manni ralara up to teripunarkengaiyum. Land for offerings and lamp to Mahāśāstā Kayirūr Aiyanār by the members of the big assembly of Nrpatunga-śēntāngi-catm. alias Jananātha-catm., a brahmadēya. The assembly met in the Ayyanār temple. 368 of 1922.
 - Kilaiyūr (Tj.) Tiru manni valara. Land for the maintenance of two persons singing the tiruppadiyam during the three services of Tirukkadavudaiya-dēvar, each getting three kuguņi of paddy per diem.

96 of 1925. *

Kölär (Mys.)—Pärvaděšamum Gangaiyum konda. A royal gift of děvadāna from the camp at Kāūcīpuram. The record furnishes interesting details of procedure followed on such occasions.

476 of 1911; EC. x. Kl. 112 (a).

Kurubüru (Mys.)—Śrī Pūrvadēšamum Gangaiyum Kadāramun-gonda. EC. x. Ct. 47.

^{*} This, and 91 and 95 of years 17 and 18 of Rajaraja, are records on pillars, and part of the introduction is omitted perhaps for lack of space.

Year 11.—Tirunukkūḍal * (Ch.)—Tiru manni valara to Gangaiyum. 113 sheep to temple of Vennaik-kūttar at Tirumukkūḍal in or near Nīrkunṛam, the northern hamlet of Madhurāntaka-catm., a tuniyūr in Kalattūr-köṭṭam, by a native of Akkāramangalam. The sheep were in charge of Tirunukkūḍalum Kūḍalūrum Ūrām.

167 of 1915.

- Year 12.—Kāļuhusti (N.A.)—Gold for the Kṛttikā-dipa and 90 sheep by Gangaikoṇḍa-cōļa-milāḍuḍaiyār, a chief of Milāḍu. 291 of 1904.
 - Tirumalai (Pēļār NA.)—Tiru manni vaļara to tegipunag-kangaiyum. Lamp to Paļļiceandam Vaigāvūr
 Tirumalai-dēva by Iļaiyamaņi-nangai also called Pallavacašar-dēviyār Šiņņavaiyār. Sixty kāšu, the amount
 of the endowment, was converted into land.

SII. i. 68.

- " Uyyakkondān-Tirumalai (Tri.)—Tiru manni vaļara to teripunag-kengaiyum. Provision for feeding Šivayögins in the Tiruvāgīšvaram-Rājēndrašōļan at the foot of the hill on which the temple of Tirukkarkudi Viļumiya-dēva stands. 467 of 1908.
- - " Tirumalai (NA.)—Tiru manni valara to teripunarhangaiyum. Twenty hāśu for lamp and ten kāśu for tiruvamidu to Śri-Kundavai-jinālaya-dēva of Tirumalai by Cāmnṇḍappai, the wife (maṇavāṭṭi) of Nandappayyan, a merchant of Porumbāṇappāḍik-karaivali-Malliyūr.

80 of 1887; SII. i. 67; EI. ix. pp. 229-33.

Year 13, day 207.—Émuppērūr (SA.)—Kūnērinmaikoṇḍūn. An order of Uḍaiyār Rājēndra-Cōļa-dēva 'who was pleased to take Pūrvadēsam and Gangai,' confiscating the lands of persons who did not settle down in Tirumunaippāḍināḍu and had migrated elsewhere, and granting the

The Pilliru. Vehki and Ceyyar rivers meet here. - ARE. 1916 II 11."

lands to others who undertook to cultivate them or rear areca-palms thereon. * 531 of 1921.

Year 14.—Puñjai (Tj.)—Tiru manni valara (full). Undertaking by the assembly (mālaparadai) of Talaccangādu to pay some taxes for the temple on some lands, to enable the temple to meet expenses of daily worship and offerings and of a special festival once a year to Rabhavāhana-dēva in the big temple for the victory of the king's arms (bhujam varddhittarula.)

182 of 1925.

"", Trumalavāḍi (Tri.)—Tru manni vaļara up to teripunar-kang uyum. Records the re-copying (from the
books) on stone of the order of Rījarāja at the instance
of Narākkan Rāman (who built the enclosure to the
Tanjore temple). The dēvakannus and the sabhā of
Gandarāditta-catni. executed the order.

91 of 1895; SII, v. 651,

- damaged). List of jewels etc. owned by the temple, engraved by order of the king made at the instance of a servant Kandan Köval-näthan. 213 of 1911.
- Year 14, day 341.—Erumür (SA.) Tiru manni valara (apparently full). Assembly of Valavan-mādēvi-catm, met in the temple and in the presence of the 'annual supervision committee' † agreed to pay in paddy the *silvari* on certain temple lands, the income to be utilised for lamps and offerings.

 398 of 1913.
- Year 15.—Mēlappaļuvār (Tri.)—Tiru manne vaļara (full). An undertaking by the managers of the temple of Paļuvūr to burn a perpetual lamp before Pagaividaiy-Īśvarattu-mahādēva and another before Amanikandarpa-Īśvarattu-mahādēva for lands and money received by them respectively from two persons as an atonement for homicide.

 372 of 1924.

582 is similar.

Celled samuatsaram feyginga Ar-vāriyap-perumakkaļ.

Year 15.—Tirukkadaiyūr (Tj.)—Tiru manni vaļara (full). An agreement of the Mahāsabhā of Pada-ēviya Tirukkada-vūr in Uyyakkondār-vaļanādu to maintain an endowment for two meals to Māhēšvaras at midday.

20 of 1906.

- Year 16.—Kāñcipuram (Ch.)—Tiru manni valara (full). Gold by Nigarili-Lökamādēvi, a servant of queen Mukkök-kiļān-adigaļ, and by a dancing girl of the temple called Pegri-ponnambalam, for two lamps before Anjanjandidurgaiyār.

 73 of 1921.
 - Kālār (Mys.)—Pārvadřáamum Gangaiyum Kaḍāramun-koṇḍa. Gift of a dēvadāna to Piḍāriyār of Kuvaļāļa by the king seated in the palace at Vikramacõļa-pura in the Kaviri-nāḍ. The grant was ordered on the 240th day and entered in the revenue register on the 281st day. 475 of 1911; EC. x. Kl. 111.
 - , Tirukkalukkungam Ch.)—Tiru manni valara (full).

 Sheep for lamps in the temple in Tan-küggut-Tirukkalukkungam alias Ulagalanda-sõlapuram. Mentions
 Mämallapuram alias Jananäthapuram in the Amürköttam. 171 of 1894; SII. v. 464.
 - , Tirumalavāḍi (Tri.) Tiru manni vaļara (full). Piļļaiyār Arumoļi-nangaiyāna-pirān gave 180 sheep for two lamps, distributed among eight shepherds, one getting 45, three others getting 45 together, and the rest 22½ each; 45 sheep being counted as yielding one ā/ākku of ghī daily, and 22½ sheep, 2½ śeviḍu.

77 of 1895; SII. v. 635.

Tirumalavāḍi (Tri.)—Tiru manni vaļara (full.) Lamp by Śrī Kṛṣṇan Kausalaiyār, wife of Narākkaṇ Śrī Kṛṣṇan Rāman alias Rājēndraśōļa Brahmamārāyar, (the builder of the enclosure to the Tanjore temple). 100 kāśu for 90 sheep distributed among four persons equally, each getting 25 kāśu, the equivalent of 22½ sheep, and having to supply 22½ nālis of ghī per annum. 78 of 1895; SII. v. 636.

Year 16.—Tiruppurambiyam (Tj.)—Tiru manni valara (full.)

Fifty kūśu for ten lamps to Āditiśvara temple at

Tiruppurambiyam, deposited with viraiyākkalipperunderuvir-cangarappādiyām.

80 of 1897; SII. vi. 30.

Tiruvāduturai (Tj.) — Tiru manni vaļaru (full.) Undertaking by Šiva-brāhmaņas to provide offerings to god for midday service and to feed an apūrvi daily with the same, out of the interest on 45 kūśu received by them from a person, the rate of interest being two tūņi of paddy per kūśu per annum.

134 of 1925.

Tiruvilakkuli (Tj.)--Tiru manni valara (full.) Sale of land as śālābhōga to temple for feeding devotees by the assembly of Kadalangudi who received a lump sum towards payment of taxes due on the land. They agreed to maintain the feeding house on behalf of the temple and supply red lilies to the god.

140 of 1926.

Tribhuvani (Pondicherry).—Tiru manni valara. Assembly met at night, resolved that the village of Varakkūr (dēvadāna) divided into six divisions and assigned to 48 tenants with rights of sale and mortgage, was not liable to pay any taxes except those due to the Naduvil-śri-köyil and the tank Kākkilānadip-pērēri. The dues to the temple amounted to 5 kalam per mā (by murukkāl equal to nālāyiravan) from year 17.

189 of 1919.

Year 16, day 32.—Tirumukkūḍal (NA.)—Tiru manni vaļara.

An agreement by certain Vaikhānasas of the temple with the officers Puravu - vari - tinaik - kaļam and Varipottagam to use the surplus paddy due by them (as discovered by a scrutiny of the temple accounts) for the recitation of the tiruppadiyam in the temple for the first time. Mentions Sembiyan-māhādēvi-perumandapam in the middle of Madhurāntaka-catm.

183 of 1915.

Year 1(7).—Kāmarasavalli (Tri.)—Tiru manni valara to palpalandīvum. King called Vīra Rājendra Cōla. Land to temple of Tirunallūr-Mahādēva, by royal order issued from palace at Gangaikonda-cōlapuram.

61 of 1914.

- Year 17.—Kilpākkam (NA.)—The great assembly of Nityavinoda catm., assembled in the temple of Śrī Kailāsa in the village, borrowed twenty kaļanju of gold from the temple of Rājāditta-Īśvaram-udaiyār and placed it in the hands of the ūr-vūriyam, who had to supply oil, as interest.

 38 of 1911.
 - Könērirājapuram (Tj.)—Tiru manni vaļara (full).
 Setting up of image of Kṣētrapāla-dēva by queen
 Arindavan-mahādēvi who also bought some land for it
 in year 16.
 632 of 1909.
 - Tirumalavāḍi (Tri.)—Tiru manni vaļara (full). One hundred kāśu for lamp by Teccappan Śembiyan Mādēvi, the wife (mārāśiyār) of Arumoli alias Uttamaśōla-brahama-mārāyar to Tirumalavāḍi-mahādēva. The money was distributed among shepherds in the same manner and proportion as in 78 (year 16). 78-B mentions a dantak-kāl-palļikkaṭṭil given to the deity. 78-A and B of 1895; SII. v. 637-8.
 - ,, * Udaiyārgudi (SA.)—Tiru manni valara (full.) land, tax-free, for feeding ten devotees at midday worship and for feeding twenty-five Brahmans in a choultry erected for the merit and in the name of queen Vānavan-mādēvi. The land was sold to the queen for 160 kāšu by the Perunguri-sabhā. 627 of 1920.
- Year 18.—Mysore—(Kanarese)—Gangeyum Pürvadēšamum Kadāramum āṇḍa. Erection and endowment of the Siddhēśvara temple on the demise (siddhi) of the daṇḍanāyaka of Śri-yuddhamalla-dēva. Writer of the inscription was the son of Mahāmātra Ajavarnaya.

502 of 1911; EC. ix. Nl. 1.

Treated doubtfully as Rajendra 1 or II. in ARE. 1921 App. F.

- Year 18.—Tirukkalar (Tj.)—Copper-plates. Tiru manni valara. Registers extent of dēvadāna lands belonging to the temple. SII. iii 207; ARE. 1903 II 17.
- Year 18, day 93.—Tiruvāmūttūr (SA.)—Tiru manni valara (full). Land for campaka flower-garden. Also, land for village doctor, by many corporate bodies acting together.

 18 of 1922.
- Year 19.—Maļār (Mys.)—Tiru manni vaļara (full). Sale of land by assembly to temple on receipt of money from the king. 195 of 1911; EC. ix. Cp. 84.
- Year 19, day 238.—Tirumalavādi (Tri)—Tiru manni vaļara (full). Two vessels of gold (198 kaļ.) and silver (2944 kaļ.) by queen Vānavan-mādēvi. 79 of 1875.
- Year 19, day 343.—Uttaramērūr (Ch)—Tiru manni valara (full).

 2240 kuļi of land lying waste (manjikkam) without yielding any taxes was reclaimed by the assembly and presented tax-free for three daily offerings and special worship on the four ayanam and viṣu days and during eclipses to Ananta-nārāyaṇa on the third storey of the temple; some other lands for lamps and offerings to the three (auxiliary) images in the lower floor and 1470 kuļi for recitation of Tiruvāymoli by three persons during morning and evening services.

 176 of 1923.
- Year 20.—Kuļattār (NA.) Gold to Kumbisvaram Udaiya-mahādēva at Vikrasinga-catm. Mentions a number of persons of the *āļungaņattār* of the sabhā of the village. 155 of 1916.
 - Kāñcipuram (Ch.)—Pūrvadēšamum Gangaiyum Kidāramum koṇḍa. Sale by some merchants of Kāñcipuram of one tāṇi of land as a tax-feee dēvadāna for 127 kaļañju of gold to Tiruveḥkā-aṇaik-kiḍandaruļina Paramasvāmi at Kāñcipuram.
 23 of 1921.
 - .. Kāhūr (Tj.)—Tiru manni valara (full). Land by purchase as iraiyili from ūr by Madhurāntakan-dēvi for feeding persons who attended the nine days festival in the Aditta-Isvaram-udaiyār temple. 303 of 1917.

- Year 20.—Marudādu (NA.)—Tiru manni vaļara. 90 sheep for a lamp with $\bar{u}r\bar{u}r$ of whom some are named. Also sale of land for digging a tank, by a servant of a daņḍanāyaka. The viltage is also called Vikrama-śōla-nallūr. 407 of 1912.
 - ,, Nangavaram (Tri.)—Tiru manni valura (full). The king dismissed two of the temple drummers and appointed another man instead. 335 of 1903.
 - ,, Šõļapuram (NA.)—Tiru manni vaļara (damaged). Sale of land 14000 kuļi (by 16 šāņ-kōļ) to temple by the residents (nagarattom) of the city as igaiyili dēvadāna.

 344 of 1912.
 - " Tirumalavādi (Tri.)—Tiru manni vaļara. Paddy for offerings to images of Pillaiyār Tiruñana-sambandadigal, Tiruñavukkaraiya-dōva and Nambi Ārūranār set up by Tirumālarangan alias Tiruppallittāma-piccan and his lady.

 37 of 1920.
 - Rājēndra-cōļa-dēva's Aņukkiyār Paravainangaiyār for plating and guilding certain portions of the temple; also gift of pearls and coral wreaths by Arumoli-Kūttan alias Lōkamārāyan; other gifts. Rājarājan-kūšunigaikal is mentioned as a standard of weight for gold.

 680 of 1919.
 - " Vṛddhācalam (SA.)—Tiru manni rajara (full). Land for monthly festivals (tiruvādirai) painagavya, hōma etc., in temple, for the prosperity of the king.

54 of 1918.

Year 21.—Ratnagiri (Tri.)—Trin manni valura (full). Sale of land tax-free to temple for 380 kāśu by the assembly of Ariūjigai-catm., after paying taxes on part of it for fifteen years on behalf of the original holders who had left the place to live elsewhere without arranging to pay the accumulated dues on the land.

189 of 1914: ARE, 1915 II 22.

Vast quantities of gold and copper and the building of the temple mentioned.

- Year 21.—Tiruvaiyāgu (Tj.)—Tiru manni vaļara (full). Gold ornaments, jewelled, to Ulōkamahādēvi-Īśvaram-uḍaiyār by Dantiśakti. 154 of 1918. *
- Year 22.—Ś. 955 † Belatüru (Mys.)—(Kanarese)—Pürvadēšamum Gangaiyum Kadūramun-gonda. Fragment giving the titles assumed by the Vira Balaŭji Dharmma merchants in grants made by them.

140 of 1898; EC. iv. Hg. 17.

- Year 22.—Kāncīpuram (Ch.)—Pārvadēšam etc. Tax-free gift of 1000 kuļi of land as dēvadāna and of 3600 kuļi by sale por 47 kuļanju by the mā-nagarattām of Kāncipuram for worship in the temple Tiruvaṣṭa-bhuya-gṛhattu-mahāviṣṇu.

 6 of 1921.
 - " Kölür (Mys.) Tiru manni valara (full), Gift of buffaloes for lamp in the Pidāri (Kölāramma) temple built to the king's order by Mārāyan Arumoļi alias Sēnāpati Uttamašēļa-Brahmamārāyan, son of Narākkaņ Śri Kṛṣṇan Rāman alias Rājēndra-sēļa Brahmamārāyan of Veṇṇōṭṭu Amaṇkudi alias Kēraļāntaka-catm. 480 of 1911; EC. x. Kl. 109 (a).
 - "Kūlambendal (NA.)—Tira manni valara. Land and gold to 24 dancing girls of Gangaikonda Śōla Iśvaram Udaiyār built by priest Iśāna Śiva Paṇḍita (cf. SII. ii. 9). 414 of 1902; SII. vii. 1047.
- Year 23.- Kuttālam (Tj.).—Teru manne valara (full). Land for feeding Śivayōgins at midday service for the prosperity of the king's arms. Further gift of 12 kāšu for taxes on the land.

 99 of 1926.
 - Majūr (Mys.)—Tiru manni vajara (full). Remission by assembly of taxes on certain temple lands after receiving gold in lieu of the taxes from a servant of the king and headman of a village.

196 of 1911; EC. ix. Cp. 82, 83.

,, Tiruppurambiyam (Tj.)—Money by Dēvan-Purambiyāļ Ādal-viṭanka-māṇikkam, a maid-servant of the bathing

^{*} cf. 152 of Year 3.

[†] Sunday, 25th November 1033, A.D. - Kielhorn EI. vi. p. 21.

establishment called *Ilankėšvara-kula-kāla-teriñja-tirumanjanattūr vēļam* for offerings, worship, etc., to Umāparamēśvariyāļ of the Tiruppaļļikkaṭṭil, an image set up by her.

323 of 1927.

Year 24.—Cidambaram (SA.)—Tiru manni valara. After Takkanalādamum, the introduction is not in the usual form, but different. Gift of viravu-nilan elupattettekūlē-araikkūni; deducting land taken up by ōḍai, nāraikālāru, kollai and nattam, making up muppattunālē-kālē-araikkāni, the net arable land was forty vēli. The total yield (variśayilittapadi) was 4500 kalam of paddy; of this the mēlvāram was 2250 kalam which, at eight kalam one tüni and one padakku per käsu, yielded 2644 kāśu which with 40 kāśu from another source formed the fund for the expenses in the temple, to be administered by Kunamënakaipurattu ērina-vyāpāriyaļ, Veļļāļar, Šankarappādiyar, Šāliyar, Pattinavar and other kudigal and the kil-kalanaigal including carpenters (taccar), blacksmiths (kollar), goldsmiths (tattar) and the koliyar. Another gift by Nakkan Paravai, the anukki of the king, for feeding Brahmans and maintaining the required establishment, yielding mēlvāram of 1225 kalam, to be spent in the manner detailed. 118 of 1888 : SII. iv. 223.

Kanyākumāri (Tr.) — Pārvadēšamum Gangaiyum Kadāramum kondarudina. Fifty sheep for lamp by Śōlakulavalli, the cook of the king (Udaiyār Śrī Rājēndru-śōladēvarkkut-tiruvamudu adum pendāṭṭi).

TAS. i. p. 161.

mannārkövil (Tin.)—Pārvadēšamum Gangaiyum Kadāramum koṇḍa. Reports that the Gōpālasvāmin temple
was formerly called Rājēndra-cōļa-viṇṇagar and built
by the Cēra king Rājasimha. * 'The king made a
grant of land to the temple from his palace at Kāncipuram to take effect from year 15 of Jaṭāvarman
Sundaraśōļa-Pāṇḍyan, one of the king's sons.

112 of 1905.

^{* 111} and 113 of 1905 give the name of Rajaraja-deva, another Cera king. These were probably Coja feudatories. ARE. 1905 II 14.

- Year 24.—Olagapuram (SA.)—Tiru manni vaļara. Mentions a woman of the Rājēndra-sõļa-dēvar Mummudi-sõlatterinda-tirumañjanattār-vēļam. 142 of 1919.
 - " Takkōlam (NA.)—Tiru manni valara (full). Beginning lost. Twelve kalañju of gold (tulai-nirai-pon) received from Śarabandoudavai of Toṇḍamān-Pērārrūr, the peṇḍāṭṭi of Rājēndra-śōla Brahmādirāyar, for a lamp to be maintained by the assembly of Urigaiyūr alias Rājamārtānda-catm., a dēvadāna of Tiruvūral-mahādēva. 256 of 1921.
- Year 24, day 230.—Brahmadēšam (SA.)—Land for worship and offerings to Pātāļišvaram-uḍaiyār by Parāntakan Śuttamaliyār alias Mukkōkiļānaḍigaļ for the king's success (bhujam vardhikka), the king being present in the temple of Rājarājēšvaram-uḍaiyār at the time.

188 of 1918.

- Year 25.—Jambai (SA.)—An agreement among citizens (nagarattār) of the city of Vāļaiyūr alias Nittavinēdapuram on the N. bank of the Peṇṇār. An interesting commutation of old endowments. 82 of 1906.
 - " Tirumalavādi (Tri.)—Tiru manni vaļara. Silver kavacam to be used at the three sacred baths and 30 kāšu for one lamp by Udaiyār Śrī Rājēndra-śōļa-dēvaraņukki-śūŗŗiya-Pañcavan-mādēvi. 70 of 1920.
- Year 25, day 112.—Eṇṇāyiram (SA.)—Tiru manni vaļara (full).

 At the king's order, the assembly of brahmadēyam taniyūr Rājarāja-catm. met in the Mummuḍiśōlan with Nambi Uḍuttūr-uḍaiyān who governed the village, and made a vyavasthai regarding incomes from the lands of a number of shrines: Rājarāja Viṇṇagar-ālvār, Kundavai-and Sundaraśōla-ālvārs, Dēvēndra, Sarasvatī, Śrī Bhaṣṭārakiyār, Mahāmōḍiyār, Sūryadēva, Saptamatṛs, Mahāśāstā, Durgaiyār, Subrahmaṇya, Jyēṣṭhaiyār and the village gods.

 335 of 1917.
 - Year 26—Ś. 959.—Ankanāthapuram (Mys.)—(Kan). Mentions the Cangāļva of Kūdalūr in Noļēnād coming on an expedition. Grant of Nāgavangaļam as a kal-nād free

of all imposts. Some Gavundas made chiefs of certain territories. 142 of 1898; EC. iv. Hg. 104.

- Year 26.—Tirumalavāḍi (Tri.)—Tiru manni vaļara. Remission of certain taxes on lands granted for feeding in the Gangaikoṇḍān-śālai in the temple by the great assembly of Gaṇḍarāditta-catm., met at the hall Uttamaśōlanmaṇḍapam.

 33 of 1920.
 - " Tirumalavādi (Tri.)—Tiru manni vaļara. Fourteen kāśu and vessels for early morning offerings by Tirumālarangan alias Tiruppaļļittāma-piecan.

61 of 1920.

Rājarājēndrasinga Mūvēndavēļār enquired into the affairs of the temple in the Vakkāṇikkum-maṇḍapam, and fixed details of service to be maintained from kurradaṇḍam and the excess paddy collected from the servants of the temple and the tenants of the dēradāna villages. Interesting schedule of expenses.

146 of 1912.

- hy people of Iganaiyūr (dēvadāna) to Śāttan Rāmadēviyār, the anukkiyār of the king, for maintaining twelve dēvaradīyār in the temple for the goddess Gauri.

 153 of 1912,
- Year 26, day 180.—Uttaramērār (Ch.) Tiru manni vaļara (full). Sale of 1,520 kuļi, tax-free, by the assembly to Veļļaimūrti-āļvār of Rājēndra-sõļa-viņņagar for providing seven kuļuņi of paddy daily to three persons reciting the Tiruvāļmoļi in the temple; also two plots of land, one as Vājasanēyak-kiḍaippuram and the other for a flower-garden and festival in Māsi Punarvasu. Names of taxes remitted: one set giving sittāyam pañcavāram sillirai eccūrrukkūrrarisi ārrukkālamāji; another ērikkādi pāḍaganellu uļavirai nīrvilai and other piḍāgaiyirai. 194 of 1923.
- Year 27.—Aļūr (Mys.)—Tiru manni vaļara (full). Land to Cāmuṇḍiśvarī by the ūr including Māṇikka-śeṭṭi of

Vāṇapuram (in this nāḍu), and Rājēndra-śōḷa-gāmuṇ-dan of Viṇṇamangalam, who was doing the nāṭṭu-gāmuṇḍu.

EC. ix. Nl. 7 (a).

- Year 27.—Ārpākkam (Ch.)—Tiru manni vaļara. Land by residents (Ūr) of Ārpākkam for the maintenance of seven musicians for service in the temple Tiruvil-viņņagarāļvār.

 145 of 1923.
 - ", Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Tiru manni vaļara. Money for nādegru by a native of Mīvanam for which some temple land was made tax-free. Also gold for lamp. Mentions Kundavaip-pērēri and Sundarašēļap-pērēri.

 264 of 1915.
- Year 28.—Tiruvāḍutugai (Tj.)—Tiru manni vaļara. Land, halfvēli, made tax-free for 200 kāśu received from the temple by assembly (sabhā) of Mēgkiļi-mangalam with the condition that the Māhēśvaras of Sarva-dēvan Tirumaḍam called after the king's guru should be fed daily. Mentions Tūtuvan Arumoļi, a woman of the Periya Vēļam, as owning some adjacent land in describing boundaries. 103 of 1925.
- Year 29 ·.—Kāmarasavalli (Tri.)—Teru manni vaļara. Land by the assembly of Kāmarasavalli-catm, to Śākkai-mārāyan Vikaramaśōlan for performing, the sākkai-kāttu thrice during either of the Tiruvādirai festivals in Mārgali and Vaiyāśi. Śēris numbered one to four in the village mentioned.

 65 of 1914.
- . " Tīrthamatai (Sm.)—Pārvadēšam etc. Gift of three villages by Uttamašõļa-Puramalai-nādāļvān, who seems to have been the chief of Rājēndra-šõļa-viriyūr-nādu. The donor repaired the temple and constructed the Mukhamaṇḍapa. Taguḍūr-nādu was a sub-division of Nigarili-šõļa-maṇḍalam. 670 of 1905.
 - "Tiruvišalūr (Tj.)—Tiru manni valara (full). Land for lamp by a queen. Mentions a revenue survey of the country.

 347 of 1907.

^{*} May 6, 1041 A.D. ARE. 1915. App. F. (L.D.S.)

- Year 29.—Tiruvorriyūr (Ch.)—Money deposited, interest to be paid in paddy, with the inhabitants of Igaņiyūr, for offerings every year at the festival of pudiyidu (first crop?) by Nakkan Kōdai alias Kāncīpura-nangai, a magaļ (maid-servant?) of Tiruvēkambam-uḍaiya-Mahādēva of Nagaram Kāncīpuram. 139 of 1912.
 - "Tiruvoggiyür (Ch.)—Tiru manni valara (full). Gift of tulai-nigai-pon and Madhurāntaka-dēvan-māḍai for Mārgaļit-tiruvādirai and for feeding three Brahmans learned in the Vēdas. Money loaned out on interest at 2 kalam of paddy per annum by the Rājakēsarimarakkāl on each pon and māḍai, with the nagarattār of Tiruvoggiyūr and the residents of Mañjiyan-Kārāṇai.

 140 of 1912.
 - rājan kāśu* for feeding a Brahman by Kūttan Gaṇavadi, the military officer of Gangai-koṇḍān ulius Uttama-śōlamārāyan also called Śirudanam Perudanam † mārāyan. Money loaned out to merchants of the place, interest being payable in paddy. Mentions Āriyammai and her money gift. 141 of 1912.
 - " Tribhuvani (Pondicherry) Tiru manni vaļara.

 Assembly agree regarding land for feeding the Śrivaiṣṇavas of the eighteen districts in the Rājēndraśōlan-maḍam not to change its class or levy on it
 ēri-āyam and śeruvari. 187 of 1919.
- Year 30.—Kandiyār (Tj.)—Tiru manni vaļara. Appointment of new dancing-master, the late master's brother-in-law (maittunan), nan-gāndaruvan araiyan Rājarājan alias Muḍikoṇḍa śōḷa vācciya mārāyan; the place was to be hereditary (vargattār).

23 of 1895; SII. v. 579.

• Must have been \(\frac{1}{2} \) a m\(\pi \) dai as interest was 1 kalam per annum. ARE.

1913 II 22.

†Treasuries small and big (Hultzsch); minority and majority of the king? Perhaps purely honorary titles implying status in official life or society. ARE. 1918 II. 22.

Year 30.—Tirunāgēśvaram (Tj.)—Tiru manni vaļara. Mentions innādu vagai-šeyginņa Kodandiṭṭai Uḍaiyān. Adigārigaļ Rājēndrašōla-mūvēnda-vēļān sent a niyōgam (order) that a tirukkolgai, tiruk-koḍukku and tiruk-kōśam were to be made from gold accumulated in the form of flowers and broken jewels. Another niyōgam from the mūluparuḍaiyār of Tirukkuḍamūkkil. The niyōgam was addressed to Śrīkōyil-vāriyam-śeyvār Dēvakanmis, Paṇḍārigaļ and Karaṇattān. Mentions also Kṣatriya-nalla-terinja-valangai-vēlaikārar.

83 of 1897 : SII. vi. 33.

for lamp by Mārāyan Gangaikoṇḍa-śōlan alias Uttamaśōla-mārāyan, chief of Tiruvārūr, for the merit of one
Gaṇavadi Iḍumban alias Tannai-munivār-peṇḍirgaṇḍa
Viśaiyaraiyan *, who stabbed himself and died (in
order to relieve) the distress of the donor. Another
gift of 90 sheep for lamp by Nimbala-dēvi, wife of
Indala-dēva of Talaigrāma in Virāṭadēśa. †

138 of 1912.

of a flower-garden and the supply of four garlands every day, to Nāgalabbai Sāni alias Āriyavammai, wife of Prabhākara-bhaṭṭa of Mēṛkaļāpuram in the Āryadēśa. "The land purchased included house-sites for the tenants who cultivated it; and it was also specified in the deed that the tenants were not liable to pay any kind of iṛai (the kuḍimai of other inscriptions) such as veṭṭi, amaūji and kūṛṛunel."

155 of 1912; ARE. 1913 II 22.

- " Tiruvorriyūr (Ch.)—Tiru manni valara. Sale of land by assembly of Maṇali alias Simhaviṣṇu-catm. to a person who presented it to the temple. Mentions that eight Madhurāntaka-dēvan-māḍai was the price of 2000 kuli of land. 156 of 1912.
- Same as Küttan Ganavadi of 141 cf. 411 of 1912 of Yr. 8 of Rüjaräja,
 ARR. 1913 H. 22.
- † Country round Hangal, itself called Viraganagari or Viragankoje in inscriptions. ibid.

- Year 30.—Uttaramērūr (Ch.)—Tiru manni vaļara. Sale of some waste land (innilangaļ innāļvaraiyil iraiyirādu kiḍandamaiyil), tax-free, by the sabhā to the Rājēndra-śōļa-viṇṇagar for a flower-garden, including 120 kuļi as Nanda-vanappuram for three gardeners (uṭappār), and to provide for a maṭha called after Kundavai-āļvār for feeding Śrī-vaiṣṇavas. The tenants had not to pay uṭaviyai. 184 of 1923.
- Year 31.—Ś. 9(54.) * Śuttūru (Mys.)—Pūrvadēšam etc. Land to temples for services in them including "Pañcamahāšabdavam trikāla bājisuvadakkē."

1 of 1895; EC. iii. Nj. 164.

Year 31.—Tiruvallam (NA.)—Tiru manni vaļara. 90 sheep for lamp by Nittavinodat-teriūja-Valangai-vēļai given to Tiruvuņņāļigai-udaiyār and Dēvakanmigaļ.

17 of 1890; SII, iv. 340.

" Tiruvoggiyūr (Ch.)—Tiru manni vaļara (full) — 150 kāšu by Caturānana Paṇḍita of Tiruvoggiyūr and Tirumayānam for ghī to bathe god on the Mārgaļi-tiruvādirai day, the king's birthday.

104 of 1912; 399 of 1896; SIL v. 1354.

Year 32.—Kādugādi (Mys)—Pārvadēšam etc. Construction of a tank at Paţţaudūr by Rājarāja Vēļān, son of the Nāţţukkāmuṇḍan of Śeṇṇāi-nādu.

170 of 1911; EC. ix. Ht. 142.

- Mentions years 24 and 31 of the king and Narākkaņ Kṛṣṇan Rāman who gave some land to temple for bath, flowers and offerings to god. Mentions vellān velli among taxes (varigal.)

 217 of 1911.
- Year 32, day 70.—Tirnvāmāttūr (SA.)—Tirn manni valara.

 Gold vessel called Rājēndrašoļan for sacred bath to god.

 28 of 1922.

Year 33.—Tiruvāmūr (Ch.)—

79 of 1909.

^{* 23}rd Oct. A.D. 1032. Hence acc. 24th Oct. 1001 to 23rd Oct. 1002. But 5 of 1895 makes Rājarāja rule in December A.D. 1012 Kielhorn. El. iv. p. 69. Regnal year must be however 21 (See Mys. Gaz. ii, p. 1085.)

The regnal year is missing or uncertain in the following:-

Agaram (Ch.)—Construction of stone temple of Tirukkailāyar at Vānavan-mahādēvi, (Vanamangai.)

231 of 1931.

Brahmadėsam (NA.)—Provision for daily offerings and feeding of hundreds of Vaisnava pilgrims coming from the Tiruvėngada-malai. 255 of 1915.

Ennāyiram (SA.)—Tiru manni vaļara. By the king's order, 46 vēli of land was given to Rājarāja-viņņagar by the assembly of taniyūr Rājarāja-catm. for offerings, the recitation of Tiruvāymoļi and the maintenance of an educational institution in which Vēdas, vyākaraņa and mīmāmsā were taught.

333 of 1917.

Mahëndragiri (Gj.) (Sanskrit).—Below the inscription is engraved a tiger with double fish in front. Having defeated Vimalāditya, the king set up a pillar of victory on the Mahendra mountain.

396 of 1896 *; SII. v. 1351.

Mangalam (Sm.)—Gift of the village Mangalam as a devadāna to the temple of Rājašākhara-Īšvaramudaiya-mahādēva built by Kongilāndār of Mudalināyappalļi alias Jayangonda-šōlapuram in Vallavaraiyarnādu. Proclaims that the property of those who steal away the cattle from this dēvadāna or otherwise cause any injury to the village shall become the property of the god. Mentious Munnūrguvar of some nādu.

157 of 1915.

Nambihalli (Mys.)—(Kan).—Ereya Gāvuṇḍa, son of Arasigaya Gāvuṇḍa, who took Belagattūr in Cōraya-dēva's war when cows were carried off and women's clothes were unloosed (tora golalu peṇḍiran ude uch-chalu), fought and went to svarga.

EC. x. Sp. 14.

^{* 397 (}S.W. v. 1352) is a Tamil version of same. Also 858 of 1917, a much damaged record, begins with names Madhurantaka and Rajendra.

- Pailabanda (An.)—Tiru manni valara. * Cows for lamp to the Mahādēva temple. 7 of 1917.
- Polonnāruva (Ceylon.)—Tiru manni vaļara. Mentions shrine of Paļļikoņdār within the temple of Vānavanmādēvi-Īsvaram Uḍaiyār-

595 of 1912; SII. iv. 1389, 1390.

Sembiyanmahādēvi (Tj.)—Tiru manni vaļara to tiruttagumudiyum. Decision of the assembly, met in the Sembiyan - mahādēviyāļ - periya - mandapam, to utilise the veļļān-veṭṭi from the dēvadāna lands of Ādityēśvaram Udaiya-mahādēva at Mōganūr, a western hamlet of the village, for a lamp in that temple.

483 of 1925.

- Sivapuri (SA.)—Pūrva-dēšamum Gangaiyum Kadūramum konda. Gold by Nāṭṭāmai a maid-servant of the bathing establishment in the palace at Gangaikonda-śōlapuram. 510 of 1926.
- Talaiceangāḍu (Tj.) Tiru manni valara (full); damaged. Remission of taxes on some temple lands by assembly in lieu of the annual interest of 150 kalañju due on 800 kāśu equal to 400 kalañju of gold (by standard Rājēndra-śōlan-māḍai) received from a merchant of the Vīra-śōla-maḍigai at Gangai-koṇḍa-śōlapuram on account of the temple of Tiruvāyppāḍi-ālvār. 203 of 1925.
- Tirumalavāḍi (Tri.)—Tiru manni vaļara (full). List of lands lying waste till year 21, and brought under cultivation, for feeding Śivayōgins and tapasvins on the occasion of the midday offering, by a servant of the king.

 75 of 1920.
- Tirunāmanallūr (SA.)—Gift (mālai and kārai) to Tiruttoņdiśvarattu Ādavalār in Tirunāvalūr alias Rājadittadēvapura by Udaiyār-padai vira-nārāyaņat terindavilligaļ and their nāyakam Mārāyan Paļuvūr Nakkan.
 Jewells described. 360 of 1902; EI. vii. pp. 137-8.

^{*} Evidence of annexation of Nujambapadi-ARE. 1917 II 2.

- Tirunagaiyār (Tj.) Mentions a dēvadāna village belonging to the temple of Arumoli-dēva Iśvara at Palaiyāgu.

 157 of 1908.
- Tiruppāndurutti (Tj.) Frag. Part of Rājendra's prušasti. Endowments by: Pārthivašekhara-terinda-kaikkōļar, Gaņdarāditta-terinda-kaikkōļar, and Parāntaka-terinda-kaikkōļar. Also provision for the reading of Śrī Rājurāja Vijayam. 120 of 1931.
- Tiruvādutuzai (Tj.)—List of presents to temple by several persons including Rājēndra's mother, the gurn of Udaiyār Rājādhirāja-dēva and servants of the Periyavēļam. Mentions Rājarājamādai as test of fineness of gold.

 104 of 1925.
- Tiruraiyāgu (Tj.)— Verse :
 - rājad-rājanya-makaṭa-śrēṇi-ratnēṣu śāsanam /
 ētad-rājēndra-cēļasya parakēsari-varmmaṇaḥ² //
 214 of 1894; SII. v. 513.
- Tiruvenkādu (Tj.)—Tiru manne vaļara to tolperungāval (palpaļandīvum). Gold by Udaiya-pirāţţiyār Tribhuvana-mādēviyār, mother of the king. 460 of 1908.
- Tiruvoggiyār (Ch.)—Erection of the Śrī-vimānam to Dēvēśa in Ādhipurī in fine black stone (atibahulatarairašmabhih kṛṣṇa-varṇaiḥ) by Ravi called Vara Vīra-cōļatakṣau, under orders of Rājēndra, the son of Rāja-rāja. The vimāna was of three tiers (tritalam) and built at the instance of Caturānana (Paṇḍita).

105 of 1892; SII. iv, 553; also 126 of 1912.

For daughter see—Rājādhirāja I-Yr. 29, day 102-Tirumalavādi, 71 of 1920.

RĀJAKĒSARI RĀJĀDHIRAJA I.

[acc.-* 15 Mar.-3rd Decr. A.D. 1018.]

- Year 2.—Sendalai (Tj.)—Śrī-bali in the temple of Perunduraiudaiyār had to be stopped owing to absence of drummers and the land appertaining to this service was thereupon transferred to some others. 201 of 1926.
- Year 3 †.—Koţṭaiyūr (Tj.)—Rājak. alias Tribhuvana-cakravartin Rājādhirāja-dēva. 270 kāśu by Arumoli-nangai, wife of Araiyan Porcoman of Ēr alias Kulöttunga-śola-Savannamangalam for offerings to an image of Śrī-lāyingampurāṇa-dēvar (Linga-purāṇa-dēva) set up by her.

241 of 1927.

- Year 5.—Kāļahasti (C.) Sale of land for areca-nut garden in the name of Tirukkanņappa-dēvar, for 250 kāśu from the temple treasury. 125 of 1922.
- Year 5, day 87.—Kāļahasti (C.) Cakravartin R. An order (uļvari) of gift of tax-free land in Paļaiyāgu in Ambar-nādu of Uyyakkoṇḍār-vaļa-nādu.

124 of 1922.

- Year 10.—Śembiyanmahādēvi (Tj.)—Tingaļēr-taru. Remission by royal order of taxes on some lands belonging to the temple of Tiruvēļirukkai-mahādēva for a lump payment of 100 kāśu (Rājarājan kāśu 75, paļunyāśu 25) made to the assembly of Śāṭṭiyakkuḍi 484 of 1925.‡
- Year 24.—Pennādam (SA.)—Vijayarājēndra-dēva who was pleased to take the head of Vira Pāṇḍya, the Śeraļan-śālai, Ilangai and Raṭṭapāḍi 7½ lakhs, and to perform the anointment of victors at Kalyāṇapura. Money for offerings.

 245 of 1929.
 - * Kielhorn El. iv. p. 218, (approx. 23rd May 1018-El. vii p. 7, n 3).
 - † Saturday, April 30th 1020 A.D. ARE. 1927, App. E.
- † The regnal year is really 36 in the impression, though it is given as 10 in ARE. 1926. This is followed by a long introduction of Vijayarājēndra stopping with the regnal year.

RAJAKESARI RAJADHIRAJA I

Year 26.—Pennādam (SA.)—Who took the head of Vira Pāṇḍya and destroyed the ships at Kāndaļūr-sālai. Records rates of taxes due to temple in merchandise.

244 of 1929.

- rattār (names of viyāpārigaļ given) of Tirukkaļukkunram alias Ulagaļanda-sõļapuram make a nilavilaiāvaņak-kaiyeļuttu, for tiruccennudai and arcanābhōga to the god on the hill top. Reason for this disposal of the land: innilam kārkōļāyk-kiḍandamaiyin. 172 of 1894; SII. v. 465.
- "* Tirumalavādi (Tri.)—Tingaļēr-pega. The Perungugimahāsabhā of Gaṇḍarāditta-catın, dispose of some taxes and institute a festival on: nammai udaiya cakravarti Srī-Rājēndra-śōļa-dēvar tirunakṣattiram.

75 of 1895; SII. v. 633.

temple affairs by the adhikāriga! Vaļavan Mūvēndavēļār and Vikkira-šinga-mūvēnda-vēļār held in the maṇḍapa of the temple called Maṇṇai-koṇḍa-śoḷan. They sold uncultivated waste lands of the temple to a military officer of the Cōḷa country, who brought them under cultivation and provided paddy for offerings on festive occasions. The temple share (irai) was 28 kalam of paddy on each vēli for one class of land, and 19 kalam for another. The donor was the chief of Sattimangalam, of the rank of perundanam-daṇḍanāyakam and was named Sōḷan Kumaran Madhurāntaka Mārāyan.

103 of 1912 †; ARE. 1913 II 24.

Year 26, day 120.—Brahmaděšam (NA.)—Tingalēr-taru. The assembly which met under a tamarind tree sold land for a water-pandal for quenching the thirst of the king Śri-uḍaiyār Rājēndra-cōļa-dēva and queen Vira-mahā-dēviyār, who is said to have entered the supreme feet of Brahmā in the very same tomb in which the body

 ¹⁴th March, 1044 A.D. Kielhorn El. iv. pp. 216-7.

[†] cf. 102 of 1912 of Year 28, day 134.

of king Rājēndra Cōļa was interred; the gift was by sēnāpati Madhurāntakan alias Parakēsari Vēļār, who was the brother of the queen. 260 of 1915.

Year 27.—Kāncipuram (Ch.)—Tingaļēr-taru up to Koļļippāk-kaiyuļļeri-maduppi, and then Villavar Minavar etc. Könēri ür took five kaļanju for offerings to Tirumayānattu Brahmīśvaram Udaiya-mahādēva of Kāncīpuram. Details of expenditure given for the annual interest of 8 kalam and one tūņi of paddy, at one kalam and two tūņi per pon-kaļanju. Ipponmudappon-koļgavengu-sollappegādēmāgavum.

54 of 1893 : SII. iv. 867.

Tiruppugalār (Tj.)—Tingaļēr-taru to Koļļippākkaiyuļleri-maļuppi. Money by a Brahman lady for festival and offerings, including the service of eight men who helped in the Aṣṭa-mangalam during the abhiṣēka on the Śadaiyam day of every month.

49 of 1928; ARE. 1928 II 7.

- of paddy due from temple lands bought over by Rājēndra-śōla-dēva-aņukkiyār Paravainangaiyār for expenses connected with offerings and worship to Tiruvaraneriyuḍaiyār. 679 of 1919.
- Tiruvorriyār (Ch.)—Money for Māśi-makham by members of the assembly of Maṇali alias Śingaviṣṇu-catm. deposited with the revenue-accountant (puravuvarit-tiṇaik-kaļattuk-kaṇakkan) of Śiruvāyppēḍu alias Mummuḍiśōļa-nallūr, who had to pay the interest in paddy.

 142 of 1912.
- Year 27, day 241. *—Tiruppanyili (Tri.)—Tingaļēr-taru (omissions and abridgments). Sale of land as abhiṣēkadakṣiṇā by the mūlaparuḍai of taniyūr Tiruveļļarai to Rājādhirāja-dēvar perundanam Uttama-côļanallūruḍaiyān Veṇkāḍan Śankaran alias Daṇḍanāyaka Rājādhirāja Pallavaraiyan, for feeding Brahmans.

90 of 1892; SII. iv. 537,

Wednesday, 13th February A.D. 1045, Kielhorn, El. iv. p. 217.

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- Year 27 + 1.—*Tirumaṇañjēri* (Tj.)—Land for feeding annually 1000 devotees including Śivayōgins and tapasvins in the temple of Tirukkarraļi-mahādēva in the locality on Panguni-uttiram day. 2 of 1914.
- Year 28.—Kāļahasti (C.)—Mentions the king's conquest of Vira Pāṇḍya, the Cēra king and Ceylon. Two lamps.

283 of 1904.

- Kiliyanūr (SA.)—Tingalēr-taru (part). Sale of land for 22 kāśu by assembly of Kēraļāntaka-catm. to temple of Tiruvāgiśvara for the maintenance of a feedinghouse called Maravadigal. The land was made iraiyili after payment of 78 more kāśu.
 151 of 1919.*
- " Tiruvorriyūr (Ch.)—Tingaļēr-taru. Thirty kāśu for special offerings paid to the assembly (sabhā) of Kāvanūr alias Kamala-nārāyaṇa-catm. who agreed to pay as interest 75 kalam of paddy every year for offerings. Mentions images of the Bhaktas (63 nāyanār) † (pattarkaļ-tirumēni). Catalogue of temple servants.

137 of 1912.

Offattār (Tri.)—Parakēsari ‡ alias Rājādhirāja-dēva who destroyed the ships at Śālai and took the crowned head of the Pāṇḍya. Sale of land to temple.

513 of 1912.

.. Vēppanguļam (Ch.) — Tingaļēr - taru (variant form). Fixing expenses in temple by royal order.

417 of 1902; SII. viii. 3.

Year 28, day 134.—*Tiruvorriyūr* (Ch.)—Sale of land by some members of the assembly of Maṇali alias Śingaviṣṇucatm. a dēvadāna of the temple of Tiruvorriyūr-uḍaiyār. to Daṇḍanāyakam Śōḷan Kumaran Parāntaka Mārāyan alias Rājādhirāja Nīlagangaraiyar. 102 of 1912.

[°] cf 152, Year 29.

[†] Their stories were compiled in an abbreviated form by Nambi Andar Nambi in the time of Rajaraja I, under the name *Tiruttondattogai* (sic) ARE, 1913, II. 24.

I Apparently a mistake for Rajak.

- Year 29.—Gangavāra (Mys.)—Tingaļēr-taru (full). A grant by persons named. 176 of 1911; EC. ix. Dv. 75.
 - "Kiliyanūr (SA.)—Sale of land tax-free to temple by assembly for feeding house. Sale price 30 kāśu; igaidravyam 50 kāśu. 152 of 1919.*
 - ", † Maņimangalam (Ch.)—Tingaļēr-taru. The Mahāsabhā of Rājacūļāmaņi-catm. met in the Brahmasthānam and sold 2000 kuļi of land to the temple of Tuvarāpati alias Kāmakkōdi-viņnagar-āļvār for 100 kāśu.

6 of 1892; SIL iii. 28.

" Tirumalavādi (Tri.)—Tingaļēr-taru. Land for lamp by Araiyan Jayangoṇḍa-śōḷiyar, also Pañcavan-mādēviyār wife of Śōḷa-vallabha-dēva, called Piḷḷaiyār.

85 of 1920.

Tiruvenkādu (Tj.)—Tingaļēr-taru (full). Land, by the king, seated on the flight of steps to the north of the Gangai-koṇḍa-śōḷan-māḷigai inside the palace in Gangai-koṇḍa-śōḷapuram, for offerings to Ardhanāri-dēva in the temple of Tiruveṇkāḍuḍaiyār given as dēvadāna (dēvadānamāga variyiliṭṭu.)

114 of 1896; SII. v. 978.

- Year 29, day 102.—*Tirumalavāḍi* (Tri.) *Tingaļēr taru*. A pearl umbrella by Madhurāntaka-dēvan Arumoļi-naugaiyār *alias* Pirānār, daughter of Rājēndra-cōļa-dēva.

 71 of 1920.
- Year 30.—Eṇṇāyiram (SA.) Tingalēr taru. ‡ Assembly (Perunguri) of taniyūr Rājarāja-catm. met in the maṇḍapa Mummuḍi-śōļan with Arangan Vigrirundān alias Nirupēndra-śōļa-Mūvēnda-vēļar § who was governing the village, and ordered the lands of the temple of Tiruvāyppāḍi-dēvar to be taxed on the lowest

^{*} cf. 151 of Year 28.

^{+ 3}rd December 1046 A.D. Kielhorn El. iv. p. 217.

[†] As in 221 of 1894 Yr. 32.

^{§ 240} of 1929 (Pennadam, Year 32, day 345) also mentions him.

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scale (kadaittaram), as were those of Rājarāja-viņņagar-dēvar and Kundavai-viņņagar-dēvar. The royal order dated 137th day in the 27th year reached the assembly only on 240th day in the 30th year.

330 of 1917.

- Year 30.—Kanyākumāri (Tri.)—Vīra Pāṇḍiyan-talaiyum Śēralan śālaiyum Ilangaiyum-taṇḍāṛkoṇḍa. Order to the officers of the salt department (uppaļangaļ kāṇuśeyvārum kaṇkāṇi śeyvārum) in Rājavāja-pāṇḍi-nāḍu to remit to the Śri Vallavapperuñjālai alias Rājarājapperuñjālai of Kalikkuḍi, salt at the rate "uppu mudalilum śelavilum kalattuvāy nāligai-yuṇai" (one nāli of salt per kalam of salt added to stock or spent from it,—Gopinatha Rao). Mentions that Nāñjināṭṭn Manarkuḍi alias Mahīpālakulakālap-pēraļam had stopped remitting the kaiyuṇai salt for sometime before this order. TAS. i. pp. 162-4. Same as 93 of 1896.
- Year 30.—Ś. 97(0)—Mindigal (Mys.)—(Kan). Vira Pāṇḍiyantaleyum Śēraļan śālēyum. Land to temple. Construction of a tank and sluice. Repair of temple with plastering. Mentions Daṇḍanāyaka Appimayya, governor of Mahārāja-vāḍi 7000 with Vallūr (Cud.) as his seat. 279 of 1895; EC. x. Ct. 30; EL. v. p. 205.
- Year 30.—Tiruvallam (NA.) Tingalēr-taru (with variant readings). The sabhā of Mandaram undertake to supply three tumbai garlands (tiruppa!!ittāmam) daily as interest on 10 kalam 6 nā!i and 1 n!akku of paddy (?).

 6 of 1890; SII. iv. 329.
 - Tiruvenkādu (Tj.)—Tingaļēr-taru. Amalan Šeyyavāyār set up an image of Picca-dēvar, gave lands for its requirements, presented gold and silver ornaments to it, opened a charity house (śālai) and provided for its maintenance. Daily wage of a woman servant of the śālai was one kuruni of paddy. The same person obtained lands for the temple from the king's father who was pleased to take the Pūrvadēśam, Gangai and Kiḍāram.

- Year 30.—Tribhuvani (Pondicherry)—Tingaļēr-taru (full). Land for offerings in the name of Rājēndra-śōļa by Sēnāpati Rājēndra-śōļa Māvalivāṇarājar, under the auspices of the great assembly of the village, a taniyūr, which met in the Maṇḍapa built by Śembiyan Umbaļa-nāṭṭu-Mūvēnda-vēļān for the merit of Rājēndra. 72 vēli yielding 12,000 kalam of paddy per annum, of which 2475 kalam went for festivals (specified), feeding Vaiṣṇavas and reciting the Tiruvāymoļi, the balance going to the maintenance of an elaborately organised college of higher learning. Conditions laid down regarding the grading and taxation of this land. Exemptions for teachers and students. 176 of 1919.
- Year 31.—Ālambākkam (Tri.)—Tingaļēr-taru. The servants of the temple residing at Madhurāntaka-cutm. received five kāśu from a merchant of that village and agreed to supply paddy towards the interest for maintaining a lamp in the temple of Kailāsamuḍaiya-mahādēva.

721 of 1909. *

Munagamakulapalli (C.) — (Kan). Rājarāja Brahmādhirāja was ruling Mahārājavādi 7000. Mentions death of Mādabbe, wife of Sövayya alias Rājāndra-cöļadēša-Raţţāgudi, son of Kommayya Raţţāgudi.

295 of 1922.

- Tiruvārūr (Tj.)—Tingaļēr-taru. In compliance with the king's order, Vēṇkāḍan Tirunilakaṇṭhan alias Adhikāri Irumuḍiśōļa-mūvēnda-vēļān utilised certain gold and silver vessels in the temple treasury for the erection of a golden pavilion for Uḍaiyār Vidi-viṭanka-dēva of Tiruvārūr. Other gifts recorded in continuation (verses.)
- Tiruvilimilalai (Tj.)—A detailed description of the boundaries of Jayangonda-sõla-nallür, a dēvadāna village of the temple of Tiruvilimilalai. Mentions a survey of the temple lands. 393 of 1908.

No. 723 recording the erection of a mandapa in the temple says that the temple was founded by Danti.

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- Year 31.—Tiruvorriyür (Ch.)—Tingalēr-taru (full). The mahāsabhā of Sundaraśōla-catm. and Vānavan-mahādēvicatm. sold land as maḍappuram to Āriyavammai alias Nāgalavaiccāni, the wife of Prabhākara-bhaṭṭan of Mēgalāpuram in the Āriyadēśa, who had done tiruppaṇi to the local god and founded the Rājēndra-śōlanmaṭha.

 107 of 1892 *; SII. iv. 555;
 - " Tiruvoggiyūr (Ch.)—Tingaļēr-taru. 95 sheep for a lamp by Caturaļ-caturi, the ayamuḍaiyāļ of Nāgan Perungāḍan and a dēvaraḍiyāļ of tho temple.

147 of 1912.

- Year 32.—Basinikonda (C.) Tingaler-pega. 1,500 merchants of all samayas, of the four quarters, including nādu, nagara and nānādēśi met at Sirāvaļļi in Mugaiņādu † in Pūgaņi-mārayapādi of Jayangonda-śōla-maṇdalam, and resolved to convert the villago into a nānādēśīya Daśamadi-Ēgivirapaṭṭaṇa and grant certain privileges to the residents of that village. 342 of 1912.
 - "Nandi (Mys.)—Tinyalēr-peņa (with alterations). Adigārigaļ Māttūrudaiyār . . . alias . . Vīra Viccādira Mūvēndavēļār gave jewels to Mahānandiśvara on the Nandi hill.

 EU. x. Cb. 21.
 - ,, Tiruccengāṭṭanguḍi (Tj.)—Tingaṭēr-taru. Land taxfree to temple in the village by the assembly of Tirukkaṇṇapuram met in the temple of Brahmiśvaramuḍaiya-mahādēva of their village. 55 of 1913.
 - ,, Tirumalavādi (Tri.)—Tingaļēr-taru. The Perungurimahāsabhai of Gandarāditta-catm. met in the Śri Gandarādittac-cēri of the place (nammūr) and gave land for ten lamps to the temple.

81 of 1895; SII. v. 641. ‡

^{*} cf 127 of 1912 n.-d.

[†] cf. 256 of 1912, ARE. 1913 II 25.

Astronomical details given fit only year 22. (Kielhorn El. iv. p. 218). But the praint records late transactions of the reign and must be of year 32.

Year 32. *— *Firuvaiyāru* (Tj.)— *Tingaļēr - taru*. Three hundred *Rājarāja-māḍas* by Viṣṇuvardhana-dēva†; also gifts in year 27 of Periya-dēvar who conquered Pūrvadēśam etc., and year 31 of Rājādhirāja. 300 *Rājarāja-māḍas* equalled 337½ kaļuñju by kuḍiñaikkal.

221 of 1894; SII. v. 520.

- " Tiruvidaimarudūr (Tj.)—Tingaļēr peņa vaļar. An endowment in favour of Araiyan Tiruvidaimarudūrudaiyān alias Mummudi-sõļa-nittappēraraiyan and his troupe. The grant proper begins with the word *Kōnērinnaikoṇḍān.' 264 of 1907.
- " Vṛddhācalam (SA.)—Tingaļēr-vaļar. 32 cows for lamp. King called Jayangoṇḍa-śōļa. 55 of 1918.
- Year 32, day 28.—Temřiri (Ch.)—Vira Pāmijuan-talaiyum etc.—
 On a representation made to Adhikāri Viranārāyaņa—
 Mūvēndavējār who had convened an a-sembly in the hall called Rājarājan in Uttama-šōļa-catm., the lands in the village were properly classified and assessed.

 The new award was engraved in the temple of Uttamaśōliśvaram-udaiyār.

 239 of 1922.
- Year 33.—Ś. 971—Cik-kāṭi (Mys.)-(Kan.)—Vira Pāṇḍiyan-talēyum Cēraļam śāleyum Lankaiyum daṇḍālukoṇḍa. Erection of temple and grant of land and cows.

EC. iv. Gu. 93. 1

Year 33.—Gangavāra (Mys.)—Tingaļēr-taru. Seņņai-nādu was the jīvita § conferred by the king on Sēnāpati Rājēn-dra-śōla-brahma-mārāyar.

177 of 1911; EC. ix. Dv. 76.

- Introduction same also in 444 of 1905—year 31, Tiruttani.
- † Perhaps the future Kulottunga I-ARE. 1895, paragraph 11.
- † Hs. 32 n.-d. mentions a was between Rajadhuraja and a Pallava; Ch. 50, the burning of the Calukya palace at Kampili (on the Tungabhadra, in the Bellary District). EC. iv. Introduction p. 14.
- § Rice takes this to be the authorisation of some collections during the officers' life-time. Eng. Tr. p. 85.

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Year 33.—Kūlambandal (NA.)—Tingaļēr-taru. Provision for a lamp and for antik-kūppu by Udaiyār Rājādhirājar Gurudēvar Adhikāriga! Pārāšaryan Vāsudēva-nārā-yaṇan alias Ulagaļanda-šōļa Brahmamārājan.

413 of 1902; SII. vii. 1046.

" Mundikere (Mys.) — Tingalēr-paga - valar. Sēnāpati Jayangonda - sōla - Vānakōvaraiyar agrees to take as mēlvāram in Mannai-nādu: "nīrārambam ainjit iraņdum kāṭṭārambam nālil-ongumēy," two-fifths of wet crops and one-fourth of the dry.

505 of 1911; EC. ix. N1, 25.

- "Tirukkolambiyār (Tj.)—Tingaļēr-laru. Agreement by the mahāsabhā of Abhayāśraya-catm, to pay all taxes on certain specified lands of the temple in lieu of interest on 250 kāśu received by them from the temple. Mentions grain measure: āyiravan-marakkāl and the Kunjaramallan-vāykkāl.

 52 of 1925.
- Tirumalavādi (Tri.) Tingaļēr-taru. Vīra-rājēndravarman. Land, for daily worship of some images, by the Perunguri - mahāsabhā of Gandarāditya - catm. assembled in the temple Gandarāditya-vinnagar.

78 of 1920.

- " Tiruvijakkudi (Tj.)—Tinyajēr-taru. (form including Pūṇdūr). Remission of taxes on some temple lands for a lump sum by the assembly of Gangaikoṇḍa-śðļa-catm.

 119 of 1926.
- " Yeldür (Mys.)—Vira-lündiyan talaiyum Šeraļan-sālaiyum Ilangaiyum Iraļļapādiyum konda. Gifts to temple for tiruvamidu.

471 of 1911; EC. x. Mb. 106 (a).

Year 34. — Brahmadřáam (NA.) — Tingalèr-taru. Gold, 12 kalanju, for offerings to Päsupatamürti when taken out on procession for śri-bali; the gift was by a woman of Niyamam in Pular-köttam of Jayangonda-śölamandalam. 262 of 1915.

- Year 34.—Peṇṇāḍam (SA.)—Rājak. Vijayarājēndra-dēva who was pleased to take the head of Vīra Pāṇḍya, the śālai of Śēraļan, Ilangai, Iraṭṭapādi 7½ lakhs, and who performed the anointment of victors at Kalyāṇapuram. Money for offerings to god and goddess. 245 of 1929.
 - ., Tiruvēņkādu (Tj.)—Tingaļēr-taru as in 92 of 1892 n.-d.
 Sheep for two lamps by Araiyan Nambanangai,
 mother of queen Trailōkyam-udaiyār. 446 of 1918.
- Year 35.—Ālambākkam (Tri.)—Tingaļēr-taru. Rājakēsari-udaiyār Śri Vijayarājēndra-dēva. Mentions assembly of Madhurāntaka-catm. 716 of 1909.
- Year 35— * Ś. 975. Kolagāla (Mys.)—(Kan). Consecration of Gangēśvara and grant of land to the temple.

143 of 1898; EC. iv. Hg. 114.

- Year 35.—Kālār (Mys.)—Pāņdiyan-talaiyum Še...n šālaiyum Ilangaiyum Iraftapādi ēļaraiyilakkamum kondu Kalliyāņa-purattu jaya...m nāffi vīrasingāsanattu vīggirundu Vijayarājēndiran-engaliņēkan † ļina etc. (Fragment.) The king is called Parakēsari. 135 of 1892; 477 of 1911; EC. x. Ki. 112 (b).
 - Könérirājapuram (Tj.) Same introduction as the preceding, with Śeraļan-talaiyum for śālaiyum. Lamp to Vaisnava temple. 656 of 1909 ‡.
 - Markānam (SA.)—Tingaļēr-taru. § Sale of land for flower-garlands, offerings and lamps by the assembly of Eyirpaţţinam, a brahmadēya in l'aţţina-nādu, in Tambittunaic-cöla-vala-nādu. Mentions village official karaiyaļukkuk-kangānik-kaņakku. 30 of 1919.
 - " Pandāravādai (Tj.) Tinguļēr-taru. Agreement by assembly of Rājakēsari-catm, to pay all taxes on some temple lands in lieu of interest on amounts borrowed

As in 172 of 1894.

^{*} Sunday 23rd May, A.D. 1053. Kielhorn, El. vi. pp. 22-3.

[†] King taken to be different from and brother of Kājak, Kājādhirāja by Rice—EC, x p. xxvii.

I Text has year 34.

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from the temple treasury in the 28th year of Periyadevar who took Pürvadesam etc., for the purchase of house-sites, and in the 31st year of Rājādhirāja amounting with interest to 710 kāśu. One kaļañju was equal to two kāśu. 228 of 1923.

- Year 35.—Tiruvaḍandai (Ch.)—Vijayarājēndra. Gift of this village to Mahā-viṣṇu. Income from šekkirai and other dues was to be spent on monthly festivals on the day of Pūrva Phālguni, the king's asterism. The village was in Paḍuvūr-nāḍu, a sub-divison of Kalliyāṇapuram-koṇḍa *-śōļak-kōṭṭam (formerly Āmūr-kōṭṭam) in Jayangoṇḍa-śōṭa-maṇḍalam. The record is signed by 70 officers.
 - Year 35, day 90.—Tirukkolambiyür (Tj.)—Könérinmaikondán.
 Royal gift of land as provision for wages, 75 kalam
 per annum, for two gardeners for a flower-garden after
 his name.

 45 of 1925.
 - Year 35, day 93.—Tribhurani (Pondicherry)—Tingalēr-taru.

 Land, after alteration of its class by sabhā in accordance with royal order, to the temple. Mentions AdhikāriĀhavamalla-Knlāntaka Mūvēnda-vēļān. 188 of 1919.
 - Year 35, day 281.—Kāncīpuram (Ch.)—Royal grant of a tax-free village, Sarvatīrthanallūr, for worship and offerings to Sarvatīrtham-udaiya-mahādēva at the request of a number of royal officials, while the king was seated on the throne Pallavarāyan in the Veļi-mēlai maṇḍapam in his palace at Gangaikoṇḍa-śōlapuram.

420 of 1925.

Year 36.—Karşanapulli (C.) — Gift of tax on oil-mills for a lamp in the temple of Angakkāra-Išvanam-udaiyār at Mattukura, an Egivirapattana, † by Sölakula-kārana-Mūvēnda-vēlān, who was the revenue officer in charge of the district, for the prosperity of the emperor.

321 of 1912.

^{*} This conquest was in or a little before the 35th year of the reign --

[†] cf. 342 of 1912 of year 32.

Year 36.—Könörirājapuram (Tj.) — Tingaļēr-taru. Land to temple at Tiruuallam by the assembly of Pāvaikkuḍi met under a tamarind tree * called Rājēndraśōlan on the bank of the channel called śuttamalli-vāykkal.

640 of 1909.

- " Šembiyanmahādēvi (Tj.) See under year 10.
- " Takkōlam (NA.)—Tingaļēr-taru. † Vijayarājēndra-dēva.
 Undertaking by some persons in charge of the central shrine in the temple of Tiruvūral-mahādēva in Takkōlam alias Iraṭṭapāḍi-koṇḍa-śōlapuram, to supply 7 nāli and one uri of ghi by Arumoli-dēvan measure as interest on 12 kalaūju of gold received by them.

262 of 1921. t

Tirukkadaiyūr (Tj.)—Tirukkodiyodu. Vijayarājēndradēva. This introduction stresses the conquest of Āhavamalla and says that the Vijayarājēndra title was assumed at the vīrābhiṣēka that followed it. Gift of some land as śālābhūya, after reclamation, by Piccan Ādittan alias Vijayarājēndra-Mūvēnda-vēļān of Kômakkuḍi, for feeding 17 persons in Rājādhirājau-śālai and meeting the expenses of worship to Kālakāla-dēva.

244 of 1925.

- " § Tiruvadi (SA.) Tingaļēr-taru. Rājākēsari alias Udaiyār Tribhuvana-cakravartin Rājādhirāja-deva. 96 sheep by two persons for a lamp 392 of 1921.
- Year 38.—*Tiruvogʻziyār* (Ch.)—Sale of land by sabhā of Kuraṭṭūr for the daily services in the temple of Tiruvogʻziyūruḍaiyār-kārāṇai-viṭanka-dēvar. 129 of 1912.

The regnal year is missing or uncertain in the following:-

Dārāśuram (Tj.) — Records that the image of dvārapālaka under which the inscription is engraved was

- cf. the village peepal with a big platform round it in the centre of almost every Mysore village—ARE. 1910 lt 21.
 - + As in 172 of 1894.

Text gives year (2)6.

§ The year is given as 18 in ARE. 1922, App. B.

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brought by the king from Kalyanapuram after his capture of the place. 24 of 1908.

- Eragaram (Tj.)—Part of the introduction of Rājādhirāja. Seems to relate to the assignment of seven vēli of land belonging to the temple on kuḍinīngā-dēvadānam tenure to Sundara Cōļan Rājādhirāja-viccādira Pallavaraiyan as the taxes on this land were not properly paid up till then.

 283 of 1927.
- Puñjai (Tj.)—Tingaļēr-taru. Remission of taxes by the king of some temple lands with orders to the assembly on Talaiccangāḍu to take over the management of the lands hitherto in the possession of the temple. Mentions improvement of certain lands made on behalf of the temple by a lady of the periya-vēļam by name Sōman Śōlakulasundari. 185 of 1925.
- Tirukkolambiyūr (Tj.)—Vīra Pāṇḍiyan-talaiyum etc.
 Order of the king to the sthānattār and the dēvakanmis
 to bring under cultivation 6 mā of (waste) land for the
 maintenance of two gardeners to look after the Rājādhirājan-tirunandavanam.
 48 of 1925.
- Tiruppangili (Tj.) Tingaļēr-taru (variaut form) 96 sheep for lamp. 92 of 1892; SII. iv. 539.
- Tiruvorriyür (Ch.) Sale of land tax-free by the inhabitants (ūr) of Veṣaṣāru-paḍiyūr to the Brahman lady Āriyavammai * for feeding the māhēśvaras in the Rājēndrasõļan, the maṭha founded by her. Mentions irrigation rights and other matters.

127 of 1912.

Tribhuvani (Pondicherry.)—Tingaļēr-taru. In accordance with royal order, the sabhā gave two vēli of land as goldsmith's service-inam (kāṇi) to Arangan Komāran alias Rājādhirājap-perundaṭṭāu who was required to do goldsmith's work for himself and others within the village and its hamlets.

210 of 1919.

^{*} cf. Year 31-107 of 1892.

Vellore (NA).—Fragment of prasasti.

41 of 1888; SII. iv. 139.

See under Rājēndra II

Year 6.—Puñjai—193 of 1925 for king's death on back of an elephant; also 5 of 1899 (SII. vi. 440.) of year 6 of Rājarāja II.

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Year 2.—Tirunāgēšvaram (Tj.) — Iraţṭapādi etc. Receipt by the Mūlaparuḍaiyār of Tirukkuḍamūkkil and other temple authorities of 100 kāśu from an individual for repairing damages caused by floods to the irrigation channel. Interest at one kalam of paddy on each kāśu was to be devoted to offerings in the temple (25 kalam) and to expounding the Śivadharma (75 kalam) in the assembly hall Tiruccirrambalamuḍaiyān built in the temple by the same person. Lands belonging to the temple and adjoining the channel were also damaged; the chieftain Vikkiramaśingap-pallavaraiyan lent to the trustees of the temple the amount required for restoring these to their original condition.

214 of 1911; ARE, 1912 II 24.

- ., Tiruppugalār (Tj.)—Tirumugaļ-maruviya. Remission of taxes on a flower-garden, called Ponmēnda-šõļan, by the ūr of Kāraikkāl which met in the Durgā temple in the Sēnāmukham * of the village. Also remission of taxes on lands for gardens by the assembly of Bhūlōkamāṇikka-catm. in year 3 of Rājak. Vīrarājēndradēva.

 81 of 1928.
- Year 3.—Jambai (SA.) Tiru-maruviya sengölvendan. A village officer demanded taxes from a woman, who declared that she was not liable. The former seems to have put her through an ordeal. The woman took poison and died. A meeting of the people from 'the four quarters, eighteen districts and various countries' was held, and it was decided that the man was liable. In order to expiate his sin he paid 32 kūšu for a lamp at the temple of Tiruttāntönri Mahādêva. The

^{*} cf. Sēnāmukhattār in a Siam inscription. JRAS. 1913 p. 337, (ARE. 1928 II 8).

vanik-kirāmattār and the Sankarappādiyār undertook the task of supplying 2/3 and 1/3 of the oil required.

80 of 1906.

Year 3.—Kölär (Mys.)—Iraṭṭapāḍi ĕļaraiyilakkamum koṇḍu Kollāpurattu jayastambha-nāṭṭi pērārrangaraik-koppattu Ahavamallanaı - yanjuvittu avan - anaiyungudiraiyum pendir-pandāramun-gaikkondu vijayābhisekam-panni vira-singāsanattu virrirundaruļina. Cows for two lamps. Mentions Vettan Pancanedi Vāņan alias Madhurāntaka Tamilap-pēraraiyan who was Dandanāyakam-kankāni.

478 of 1911; EC. x. Kl. 107.

- Tirukkolambiyür (Tj.)-Tirumagal-maruviya. Undertaking by the Sivabrāhmaņas and two uvaccar of the temple to perform certain specified ceremonies including homa on every new-moon day to god Nanadeśiya-Vitankar, from the interest on money and produce of land given to them by an officer of the sigudanattupperundaram named Magaikkādan Dēvan alias Rājarāja Tadigaippādi-nādālvān of Sāttanūr. 51 of 1925.
- Tiruvaiyāru (Tj.) Fragments of the introduction. Gold ornaments to the Ten-kailasa shrine in the temple by Nambirāttiyār Trailokyam-udaiyār Adigāricci.

213 of 1894; SII. v. 512.

- Tiruvallam (NA.)-Tiru maruviya. 25 kalanju of gold given to temple authorities for feeding a learned Brahman and for other purposes. The total interest was padakkunel every day. 75 of 1889; SII. iii. 55.
- Tiruvārūr (Tj.)—Iraţţapāḍi etc. Details of the quantity of gold used for plating and gilding the different parts of golden pavilion-(ponnin tirumandapam).

669 of 1919.

Year 4 .- Erumür (SA.) Tiru mādu puviyenum. A vyavasthā of the assembly of Vanavan-mahadevi-catm. when it met in the temple of Vanavan Mahadevi-vinnagar-alvar. Mentions Vijayaganda-sőlisvaram-udaiya köyil.

396 of 1913.

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Year 4.—* Maṇimangalam (Ch.)—Tirumādu-puviyenum. Sale of land in Amaṇpākkum, tax-free, to Kāmakkavvaiyāļ, mother of Sēnāpati Jayangoṇḍa-śōļa Brahmādhirāja, who gave it to the temple. Mentions meeting at the Brahmasthāna maṇḍapa of the Mahāsabhā of Rāja-cūļāmaṇic-caruppēdi-mangalam.

3 of 1892; SII. iii. 29.

- record). Royal (Könerinmaikondan) confirmation of grant made by the Māhēśnaras of certain privileges in the temple to Paraśuraman Sankaran of Ilangārikudi for his acts of piety, such as, providing for offerings at Tirnvādutugai on festival days in Purattāśi, constructing in his own village a temple called Madhurāntaka-līśvara and endowing lamps and offerings therein. His father provided also a perpetual lamp in the temple at Tiruvādutugai.
- Year 4, day 184.—Kunyākumāri (Tv.)—Iruṭṭapāḍi etc. The king, seated on Kāḍuveṭṭi in Kēraļan-māligai in Gangaikoṇḍa-śōḷapuram, orders certain taxes from dēvadāna villages to be devoted to a festival on the birthday of Nampeṇḍngaḷil Kulānaḍigaḷ. Kanyā-kumāri is called Gangai-koṇḍa-śōḷapuram. Details of taxation and administrative procedure given.

TAS. i. pp. 164-8.

Year 5.—Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Tirumagaļ - maruviya. Sale of land to temple of Bhavarudrasomīšvara-dēva on the south bank of the river Vehkā (Vēgavatī) by the assembly of Parākrama-šoļa-catm. in Dāmar-nādu of Jayangonda-šoļa-mandalam. Rights of irrigation and residence for labourers secured.

244 of 1915.

Thursday 17th August, A.D. 1055, acc, (approx)., 28th May A.D. 1052—Kielhora EI, vi. p. 24.

- Year 5.—Brahmadēšam (NA.)—Tirumagaļ-maruviya. Rajak.*

 Udaiyār Rājēndra. Sale of land tax-free to temple of
 Uruttirašōlai-mahādēva on the south bank of the Vehkā
 at Parākrama-šōļa-catm. by the Mahāsabhā of Venkuļattūr alias Paramēšvara-catm. Rights of irrigation
 secured.

 256 of 1915.
 - " Kuūr (SA.)—Tirumagal maruviya. Sale of land to temple of Tirukkovalūr tax-free by ūr of Puduppērūr as provision for recitation of Tiruvembāvai on Margali Tiruvādirai days and for offerings and prasādam to persons specified.

 12 of 1905.
 - of Sonnavāragivār at Vingu-nīrt-turutti by a native of Jayangoṇḍa-śōla puram for feeding itinerant Saiva devotees to secure success to the arms of the king..†

 486 of 1907.
 - ., Kūvam (Ch.)—Tirumādar puviyenum. Sale of land for 160 kāśu by the assembly of Köţţūr alias Cöļavidyādhara-catm., in Kanrūr-nāḍu of Maṇavirköṭṭam in Jayangoṇḍa-śöḷa-maṇḍalam through which a feeder channel to the Tribhuvana-mādēvip-pērēri at Kūvam alias Madhurāntakanallūr was to pass. 328 of 1909.
 - ,, Tirukkalukkungam (Ch.)—Tirumagal-nilaviya. ‡ 90 sheep for lamp. 173 of 1894; SII. v. 466.
 - hy the assembly of Pugalür to pay ten kāśu as interest on forty kāśu lent to them from the sum given by Pārkaran Arumoli alias Akāraṇa-dāni Pallavaraiyar of Vēļūr for the expenses of the nūlērram ceremony in the temple.

 57 of 1928.
- * Mistake for Parak. Confusion due to overlapping reigns and independent exercise of powers at the close of a reign. ARE. 1916. II 14.
- † The details given here are not in the text, which is an incomplete record giving only the name of temple followed by the names of some Sivabrahmanas.
 - This short form has much in common with Iraffapadi etc.

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Year 5.—Tiruverumbūr (Tri.)—Tirumagaļ-maruviya. Money for lampstand by a peņḍāṭṭi of the Uyyakkoṇḍān-teriūdatirumañjanaṭṭār-vēṭanı at Gangai-koṇḍa-śōṭa-puram.

121 of 1914.

- Year 5, day 35.—Kuttālam (Tj.)—Begins Kūnērinmaikoṇḍān.

 Tiru-maruviya in middle of record. Land, tax-free, given in year 3 day 143 for festivals to Śonnavārariyum-mahādēva at Vingu-nīrt-turutti (in Tiruvaļundūrnāḍu) on the king's birthdays. Also gift of taxes due from some villages, amounting to eighty kāśu per annum, for Mārgaļi-tiruvādirai, to the temple. Regulation of expenses (nivandam), made on the day mentioned in year 5.
- Year 5, day 135.—Mēlappaļuvār (Tri.)—Tirumagaļ-maruviya. Land as naļļuvak-kāņi to a dancing master.

361 of 1924.

- Year 6.—Ś. 979 *.—Belatūru (Mys.) (Kan.). A long pathetic poem on the sati of Dēkabbē, the daughter of a chief of Nugunād, her husband having been sentenced to death and the sentence executed at Talakkād for his having killed a member of the royal family in a wrestling contest.

 141 of 1898: EC. iv. Hg. 18;
 EI. vi. pp. 213-9 (Fleet).
- Year 6.—Puñjai (Tj.) †—Iraṭṭapāḍi etc. Agreement of the assembly to pay taxes on some lands in lieu of interest at 50 per cent. from the 3rd year on 80 kāśu received by them in parts from Irumaḍi-śōṭa-mūvēnda-vēṭār in year 36 of Anaimēṛrunjiyaruṭina Vijaya-rājēndra-dēva and in year 3 of Rājēndra-dēva. Produce from the land to be used for midday service to Tiruval-amburam-uḍaiya-nāyanār, his consort and the Piṭṭaiyār set up by him in the temple. Also gift of 30 kaṭañṭu to temple for beating the kaccāram (?) on the marriage day of Āṭappiṛandār; this gift was made in year (3) 2 of Parak. Rājēndra who took Pūrvadēśam, Gangai, and Kaḍāram.

^{* 27}th Oct. 1057 A.D. Kielhorn, El. vi. p. 23.

[†] The text gives date year 3 immediately after the introduction and then mentions year 6; also expression "Igaikāval leydu kudutta-nilam."

Year 6.—Tanjore (Tj)—Tiru-maruviya. Royal order to provide a tāṇi of paddy daily for playing the Rājarājeśvara-nāṭaka in the Rājarājeśvara temple to Śāntik-kūttan Tiruvālan Tirumudukungan alias Vijayarājēndra-ācāryan and his varguttār as kāṇi. The performance was to take place in the Uḍaiyār - vaigāśip - periyatiruvilā, the total annual allowance being 120 kalam to be given out of the temple treasury.

55 of 1893; SII. ii. 67.

- ing of the Srī-vimānum of Tiruviḍaikali-yālyār, a decayed brick structure, with fine black granite, and restoration of old inscriptions on its walls by Milāḍuḍaiyār Narasinga panmar Narasinga varmarengu abhiṣēkam panṇi muḍi kavittu Milāḍu 2,000 pāmiuym āṇḍa Milāḍuḍaiyār Narasingapanmar. Other gifts. 123 of 1900; EI. vii. pp. 145-6.
- by Dēvan-paṭṭagal-Paṇḍāram and her daughter belonging to the Śivapādāśċkhara-teriñja-tirumañjanattār Vēļam, for offerings to Ulaguyyakkoṇḍa-śōla-sūryadēva, set up by them in the temple. 64 of 1928.*
- Tiruvallam (NA.) Tirumagal-maruviya. Gift of 1,500 kuli to be cleared of forest and cultivated as arcanā-bhōga, for worshipping Durgā standing in the north-western corner of the temple, to a Śivabrāhmaṇa by the dēvakanmis and residents (ūr) of nūr. 217 of 1921.
- Tribhuvani (Pondicherry) Tirumayal maruviya.

 Order of Tirumandira-ölai Pallavan Pallavaraiyar at the request of Sēnāpati Vāṇādhirājar that none except the Veḷḷāḷas of Vākkūr should levy or pay any kind of dues within the village, and that others who do so should be considered to have transgressed the law. This was agreed when Perumpuliyūr-nambi was inspecting the temple business. † 180 of 1919.

^{*} cf. 63 of year 11.

⁺ Business was transacted by assembly at night. ARE. 1919, II 15.

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- Year 6.—Tribhuvani (Pondicherry.)—Tirumagaļ-maruviya. An order of the assembly in accordance with a royal mandate altering the classification of land at Puttūr already granted for the merit of Udaiya-pirāṭṭiyār Pirāntakan Ulōga-mādēviyār. Refers to kaḍaiyāḍu of Villavaraiyar Mūvēnda-vēļār, the adhikārin who is called ammān and Śenāpati Rājēndra Vayirāgaraccēļan.
- Year 6, day 300.—Vēppanguļam (Ch.)—Tirumādu-puviyenum.
 Sale of land as iraiyili dēvadāna for 97 kaļañju
 of gold.
 416 of 1902; SII. viii. 1.
- Year 7. Könöriräjapuram (Tj.) Iraṭṭapāḍi etc. Land. The Perunguyi-sabhai of Pāvaikkuḍi met in the temple of Madhurāntaki Iśvaram-udaiyār.

634 of 1909.

- of 200 kāśu received by the assembly of Talaccangāḍu from the temple for taxes on 2½ vēli of land given in return for 1½ vēli which, having been assigned to the temple for havirbali-dāna, and found unproductive owing to the high level of the land and the difficulty of irrigating it, had therefore to be resumed as village common land.

 194 of 1925.
- Singavaram (SA.)—Tirumagal-maruviya. Lamp by a chief in atonement of his having stabled a military official. 227 of 1904.
- "Tirumalai (NA.)—* Kõparatrakēsari alias Śrī Rājendracõļa-dēva. Adhikāri Korramangalam-udaiyān made an
 enquiry of Śirudanam Paṇimagan Kudippangudaiyān
 and Tiruvēngada-dēva Karmis, discovered irregularities
 in the maintenance of lamps endowed before, only two
 out of twenty-one were being burnt, and regulated
 matters for the future, the Śrī-vaiṣṇavas accepting his
 finding.

 64 of 1889: SII. iv. 293.

^{*} A later copy. May be of Rajendra I.

- Year 7.—Tribhuvani (Pondicherry) Tirumagal maruviya.

 Land, for offerings etc., to Vira-śöla-vinnagar-ālvār;

 made iraiyili by the great assembly which met at
 night in the temple. Royal order suggesting the
 action.

 183 of 1919.
- Year 8.—Tirumalavāḍi (Tri.)—Tirumādar-puviyenum. Land left in charge of dēvakanmis for offerings to an image set up by Śigudanap-perundaram Sēnāpati Araiyan Kaḍakkangoṇḍa-śōlan Rājarāja Aṇimugi nāḍālvān the son of an Aṇukki of Rājēndra-cōla-dēva I. Other gifts.

 84 of 1895; SII. v. 644.
 - " Tiruvārūr (Tj.)—Tirumādu puviyenum. Gift of a wreath of precious stones for the goddoss, consort of Udaiyār Vīdi-viṭanka-dēvar, by a native of Gangai-konda-solapuram. 676 of 1919.
 - offerings, for feeding twelve sivayogins every day in the temple, and for two ear-ornaments to the god.

 677 of 1919
 - gold with certain merchants of Tiruvārūr for offerings and oil for bath to the god; further gifts of gold for clothes to images and fees to temple songsters and servants.

 678 of 1919.
- Year 9.—Brahmadēśam (NA.)—The assembly of Karaikköṭṭubrahmadēśam alias Parākrama-śöṭa-catm. met in the temple of Pondai-uḍaiyār, and ordered the public sale of land to the temple of Rudraśōlai-mahādēva on the southern bank of the Veḥkā. 270 of 1915.
 - Karuvūr (Coi.)—Tirumagaļ maruviya. Grant of a village to the Tiruvānilai temple. Signed by five officers who also appear in an inscription of Virarājēndra (SII. iii. 20), one of them being Araiyan Rājarājan alias Virarājēndra Jayamuri-nāḍāļvān, perhaps the same as Sēnāpati Jayamuri-nāḍāļvār of the Ceylon inscription (Sangili-Kanadarava) of Rājēndra.

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Year 9.—Karuvūr (Coi.)—Tirumag! - maruviya. Grant of Nelvāyppalli to the Tiruvānilai temple. Signed by the same officers as the preceding (SII. iii 21), some prefixing Kulöttunga to their names.

65 of 1890; SII. iii, 22.

- " Mahābalipurum (Ch.)—Iraṭṭapūḍi etc. The nagarattār of Nagaramāmallapurum alias Jananāthapurum define limits of tax-free lands held by Śrī-Paramēśvaramahāvarāha-viṣṇugṛhattālvār, make some additions to them and regulate expenses.

54 of 1890; SII. iv. 377.

- " Pulallūr (Ch.)—Land, tax-free, as Bhārata-vṛtti for the exposition of the Bhāratam, Rāmāyaṇam and similar Purāṇas in the temple of Tiruvayōddhi, by the assembly of the village.

 48 of 1923.
- " Tirumalavāḍi (Tri.) Tirumādar-puviyenum. Ornaments including a "mantrapuṣpam with nīlam and other items, Rājādhirāja is called the elder brother of the king and a gift of year 3 of Vīrarājēndra-dēva (successor) is mentioned. *

87 of 1895; SII. v. 647.

Year 10.—Bāhūr (Pondicherry.)—Iraṭṭapāḍi etc. Paddy for offerings. Interest 6 nāṭi per kalam per month.

171 of 1902; SII. vii. 798.

^{*} ARE. 1895 paragraph 9, centra the published text (SII. v. 647 11, 52-3).

Year 10.—Tereyür (Mys.)—An introduction with many gaps.

Capture of 75 elephants of the Bhadra species including Satrubhayankara and Karapattira as well as camels and queens of Ahavamaila.

EC. xii. Mi. 76.

- rights to a Śivabrāhmaṇa for the worship of Tribhuvanasundara (Śōļa-kēraļa-viṭankar), his consort and Piļļaiyār set up by the assembly and some regiments of the army named.

 214 of 1921.
- " Tiruvallam (NA.)—850 kuļi of land as arcanābhōga to Sōļa-kēraļa-viṭankar set up by the assembly. Land sold as devadāna igaiyili to the temple by the sabhā.

215 of 1921.

Year 11.— Kaļattār (NA.) — Tirumādu-puviyenum. Sale of tax-free land to one of the āļungaņattar by sabhā including the samvatsara-vāriyam of Vikramašingacatın., for the perumbali offerings on Sundays to the Pāśupatamūrtigaļ in the temple of Tiruk-kumbīsvaramuļaiya Mahādēva. Special grant, in lieu of taxes, of 37 kāśu, equal to 10 kaļanju and 9 manjādi * of gold of the fineness of Madhurāntakan-mādai.

157 of 1916.

- "Tirtippugalūr (Tj.) Irattapādi etc. Ornaments presented to Śinga-dēva and his two consorts set up in the temple at Pugalūr by Devanpaṭṭagal-Paṇḍāram and her daughter belonging to the Śivapadaśēkhara-teriñjatirumañjanattār-vēļam. 63 of 1928.†
- Year 12.—Kolagalu (Mys.)—(Tam. and Kan.) Tirumagal-maruviya. In Ś. 984, Nāgaṇṇa of Kereyūr, fearing the jealousy of Gangaya, lord of the nāḍ, submitted to him. A gift of land. 144 of 1898; EC. iv. Hg. 115.

^{*15} kaleniu 9 maniddi and 2 m3, as now read. Codrington, Ceylon Coins p. 85.

[†] cf. 64 of year 6.

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The regnal year is missing or uncertain in the following:-

Ś. 982.—Kalambūr (NA.)—Lamp to Alagiya Manavālar in the temple of Kalikēsari-vinnagar and mention of assembly of Vikrama-śōla-catm. * 245 of 1909.

Kunadaru Korale (Ceylon)—Mentions Sēnāpati Jayamuri-nādāļvān. 612 of 1912 †; SII. iv. 1408.

Tiruvārūr (Tj.)—Tirumādu - puviyenum. An order (of the king) of Vēļāļakūttan alias Śembiyan Mūvēndavēļān to cover with gold plates certain portions of the garbhagṛha and the ardhamaṇḍapa of the temple.

675 of 1919. ‡

This name occurs also in 247 of 1909 (a-d.) as an alias Kalamür with part of the introduction of Parak. Rājāndra.

[†] of. 600 of 1912; MP. Chh. 56, 58-60

¹ cf. 669 of year 3; 670 of Rajadhiraja 31.

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- Year 2.—Cidambaram (SA.)—Frag. Mentions Parāntakan Lōka-mahādēviyār. 612 of 1930.
 - " Hōsahaļļi (Mys.)—Manunīdi-murai vaļara. Gift of land to Tiruviyalūr Paranījūti alias Agōrasiva of the Tiruvūral-maṭha, who was a native of Avikkūr alias Jayangoṇḍa-sōlapuram in Perumbāṇappāḍi.

172 of 1911; EC. ix. Ht. 35.

Pulallūr (Ch.)—Tirumangai-vuļara. Land given as Bhārata-vṛtti by a lady, wife of one of the āļungaņam of Madhurāntaka-catm. 50 of 1932.

" Tiruvadandai (Ch.)

275 of 1910.

, Tiruvallam (NA.)—Tirumagaļ - viļanga. Śankaran Gaņļarādittan alias Śēnāpatigaļ Rājarājac-cöļiya-varai-yar purchased from the inhabitants of Tiruvallam 800 kuļi of land for 64 good current kāśu equal to 22 kaļanju and 8 manjādi in gold at 7 manjādi per kāśu, and presented it to the temple.

5 of 1890; SII. iii. 56.

Year 3.—Grāmam (SA.)

741 of 1905.

- Nērūr (Tri.)—Tirumagaļ viļanga. Provision for offerings. 339 of 1928.
- " Olagapuram (SA.)—Manunīdi-murai-vaļara. Sale of land by the nagarattār of Ulõga-mādēvipuram for being presented to the temple of Arikulakēsari-īśvaram to meet the expenses of the shrine of Rājēndra-śōļa-viṭankar in it. 130 of 1919.
- " Olagapuram (SA.)—Manunīdi-murai-vaļara. Sale of land by the nagarattār of Ulōga-mādēvipuram to a certain Śāttan for being presented to the temple of Arinjigai-Vinnagar Virrirundāļvār of ivvur-tirumēr-kōvil for expenses. The sale-deed was drawn up by

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Samantabahu Ācārya, a worshipper of the Sundaraśōlap-perumballi of this town. 141 of 1919.

Year 3.—Tiruppāpuliyūr (SA.) — Short introduction says that the king fought with Āhavamalla. *

119 of 1902; SII. vii. 743.

This confirms his place between Rajendra and Virarajendra cf. SII. ili. pp. 113 ff. ARE. 1902 paragraph 9.

RĀJAKĒSARI VĪRARĀJĒNDRA *

Year 2 †.—Ālambakkam (Tri.)—Tiruvaļar-tiraļpuya. Assembly of Madhurāntaka-catm. met in the temple of Tiruvī-śalūr-Paļļikoṇḍāļvār of this village and made a gift of land to Tiruvāliśvaram-uḍaiya-mahādēva.

718 of 1909.

" Tiruvaṇṇāmalai (NA.)—Repair of a tank by Toṇḍaimānācci, daughter of Gangaiyar, to whom the lands irrigated by it were surrendered by former tenants who, being unable to repair the tank, had allowed the lands to lie waste for a long time,

552 of 1902; SII. viii, 143.

Tiruvenkādu (Tj.)—Tiruvalar - tiralpuya. Taxes in several villages in three nādus in the Rājādhirājavala-nādu granted for festivals and offerings on Āyilliyam days (the king's asterism) to Tiruvenkādudaiyār.

113 of 1896; SII. v. 976. ‡

- tionment of 120 kāśu paid as rent by the Śāliya merchants in the Jayaśinga-kula-kālap-perunderu § of Tiruvorriyūr for special services in the temple on the day of Āślēṣa, the star of the king's nativity, as settled by the officer Jayaśinga-kula-kāla-viļupparaiyan, after an enquiry held in the vakkānikkummandapa in front of the temple. 136 of 1912.
- Year 3.—Puñjai (Tj.)—80 kāśu by six persons for obtaining the tirukkāvaṇakkāl (title-deed?) which had been lost after the death of their relation, a certain Tiruveṇkā-duḍaiyān of Koṇṇadūr.

 190 of 1925.
- * Rājamahēndra was the immediate predecessor of Vīrarājēndra. ARE. 1910 II 12.
 - + Read as 22 in ARE. 1910 II 22
 - + 452 of 1918 (Yr. 2+1) is similar.
- § Probably after a surname of the king, the opponent of W. Calukya Jayasimha III. Other quarters in the place were: Tribhuvanasundarap-perunderu of the Mangadis, and Narpattennayirap-perunderu of sculptors and artisans. ARE, 1913 II 32.

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- Year 3.—*Tiruvāmāttūr* (SA.) *Vīramē-tuṇaiyāgavum*. Gold and cows for two lamps by Viccādiran-madhurāntakan alias Sēnāpati Vīrarājēndra Kārāṇai Vilupparaiyan of Kūļikuļi.

 3 of 1922.
 - .. Uyyakkondān-Tirumalai (Tri.)—Taxes for a festival by the king while seated on the throne called Abhimāna-rāman at Tiruvānaikkāval. Among the taxes mentioned is dašabanda.

 462 of 1908.
- Year 3 + 1. Karuvār (Coi.) Tiruvalar-tiraļ. Grant of a dēvadāna by the king from his palace at Gangai-koņḍa-śōlapuram. 58 of 1890; SII. iii. 20.
- Year 4.—Malār (Mys.)—Tiruvalar-tiralpuya up to Gangai-mānagar; only the introduction is preserved.

194 of 1911; EC. ix. Cp. 85.

" Punganūr (NA.)

541 of 1906.

Tennēri (Ch.)—Vīramē-tuņai (part). 93 sheep for lamp distributed among three persons, 48 with one and 22½ with each of the other two.

198 of 1901; SII. vii. 410.

Tirunāmanallār (SA.)—Vīramē-tuņai up to kaikkoņdu, and then - Svasti Śrī Sakala - bhuvan - āšraya-Śrī - Mēdinī - Vallabha - Mahārājādhirāja - Cōļakula-sundara * Pāṇḍya-Kulāntaka Āhavamallakula-kāla Āhavamallanai mummaḍi † venkaṇḍa (Rājašēkhara) Rājāšraya (Rājarājēndra) Śrī Vīra Cōļa ‡ Karikāla-cōļa Śrī Vīrarājēndra-dēva Rājakēsarivanma-perumān-aḍigaļ Kōnērinmaikoṇḍān. Object of the record is not clear §. Mentions the nagarattār of Tirunāvalūr alias Rājādittapuram.

371 of 1902; SII. iii. 81.

" Tiruvorriyūr (Ch.) — Tiruvalar-tiralpuya. Sale of land by residents of Elinulai for presentation as

^{*} Stkhara in others.

[†] Aimmadi in later records.

I cf. Virassliyam.

[§] Land to Tiruttondiévara. ARE. 1902 App. B.

madappuram to the Rājēndra-śōlan-madam. The price was paid by Tiruvaranga-dēvan alias Mummudi-śōla Brahmarāyan of Vīranārāyņa-catm., a taniyūr in Rājēndraśinga-vaļa-nādu of the Śōla-maṇḍalam. Land was made iraiyili, the taxes remitted being named.

135 of 1912.

Year 5.—Accarappākkam (Ch.)—Vīramē-tuņai (part). Gift of paddy and taxes (named) to god.

253 of 1901; SII. vii. 467.

" Byādarahaļļi (Mys.)—Viramē-tuņai up to Šingaņanaiyum-udaippugangaņdu. Self-immolation (tippāya) of a lady on the death of her husband.

174 of 1911; EC. ix. Dv. 14.

- .. Gangaikonda-cōlapuram (Tri.)—Tiruvalar-tiru followed by Viramē-tuņai several times. Long but ill-preserved. 82 of 1892 *; SII, iv. 529.
- " Kīļūr (SA.)—Viramē-tuņai up to munnavar viradamudittu. 48 sheep for lamp by a Mangādi.

273 of 1902; SII. iii. 82.

"† Maņimangalam (Ch.) — Tiruvaļar-tiraļpuya. 4450 kuļi of land to temple as arcanābhōga by Sēnāpati Jayangoṇḍa-śōļa Brahmādhirāja whose father Mañjippayanār alias Jayasimha-kulāntaka-piramarāyar had purchased the land from the village.

2 of 1892; SII. iii. 30.

, Tiruvogriyār (Ch.)—Viramē-tuņaiyāgavum. Sale of land to temple by assemblies of Sundara-śōla-catm. and Vānavan-mādevi-catm., the temple share of produce being 30 kalam per vēti. Another sale of waste land in year 6 by assembly of Singaviṣṇu-catm. for Vira-rājēndran-tirunandavanam, founded by Tirnvarangan alias Rājēndra-mūvēnda-vēlān of Manakkudi.

228 of 1912.

^{* 82-}b mentions year 23 of Ayyan who took Pürvadēsam, Gangai, and Kadāram. SII. iii. p. 195 and n. 11.

^{+ 10}th September 1067 A.D., acc. 1062-3. Kielkorn, El. vii. p. 9.

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- Year 5.—*Tiruvoʻʻriyār* (Ch.)—*Vīramē-tuṇaiyāgavum*. Shrine of Paḍambakka-dēva * was built of stone by *adhikāri* Rājēndra Mūvēnda-vēļān. 232 of 1912.
- Year 5, day 348.—Tirumukkūdal (NA.)—Tiruvaļar-tiraļpuya.
 Royal order assigning the taxes of Vayalaikkāvūr,
 making it a tax-free dēvadāna, for the requirements of
 a Viņu temple at Tirumukkūdal in Madhurāntakacatm. Mentions eight officers, the seat Rājēndra-šūļamāvali-vāṇarājan in the Sōļa-Kēraļan-tirumāļigai at
 Gangaikonda-sōļapuram. Details of the equipment of a
 hospital (ātula-sālai), and a school in the temple are
 also given.

 182 of 1915.
- Year 6.—Jambai (SA.)—Viramē-tuņaiyāgavum. Gift of land to an accountant (uayarakkaņakkan) by the temple authorities among whom figures the Mahāvratin Lakulīśvara Paṇḍita.† The beneficiary was to write up the accounts of the temple. 100 of 1906.
 - ., Pottapalli (Mys.)—Titles as in 371 of 1902 (Yr. 4) with variations, most important among them being aimmadivenkanda for mummadi. Gift of wet land (nīr nīlam) 50 kuļi and dry land (kāṭṭārambam) 1000 kuļi by an orphan for the merit of his deceased father and his mother who committed sati (tīyilpānjāļ).

188 of 1911; EC. x. Ct. 161.

,, Tindicanam (SA.)—Viramē-tuņai (full). Twelve cows for offerings of ghī and curd for hōma and amudu to the Tiruvuṇṇāligai sabhaiyār of the temple.

207 of 1902; SII. iii. 83.

- Year 7.—Badūr (NA.)—Gold for lamp by two goldsmiths of Vādavūr.

 411 of 1922.
 - " Perumbēr (Ch.) Viramē-tuņai (alternative form).

 The Mahāsabhā of taniyūr Madhurāntaka-catm. give iraiyili land, from land described as parappum tāļvumingi-mañjikkamāgak-kiḍanda nilattil, to Tiruttān-

^{*} ARE, 1913 II 32.

[†] Same as in 85 of 1889. (Mēipādi) Yr. 9 of Rājēndra I. ARE. 1907 II 39.

tonri-mahā-śrī-karaṇa Ĩśvaram-uḍaiyār at Nammūrpiḍāgai-peru-Perūr alias Tribhuvana-nallūr.

266 of 1901; SII. iii. 84.

Year 7.—Tirukkalukkungam (Ch.)—Viramē-tuņai as in 266 of 1901. 90 sheep for one lamp; again 270 for three.

175 of 1894: SII. v. 468.

- " Vellanür (Pd.)—(Verse). Erection of urdha-mandapa in the Agastiśvara temple by the Cōla subordinate Mudikonda-nādāļvān of Śiruvāyil-nādu. 206 of 1914.
- "Ś. 991—(Saumya) * Yoyi-Mallavaram (C.)—Sakalabhuvanāśraya. † After Śaka year, Viramē-tuņaiyāgavum. Mentions temple of Piplādiśvaram-udaiya-mahādēva. 273 of 1904.

The regnal year is missing or uncertain in the following :-

Elwanāśār (SA.)—A curious declaration by a sati:

"If she lived after her husband, she should become
the slave of her co-wives. Whoever said she ought not
to die should incur the sin of prostituting his wife.
If she did not die, those who did not bind and throw
her into the fire and kill her should incur the sin of
prostituting their wives."

156 of 1906; ARE. 1907 II 41.

- Kadambarköyil (Ch)—Tiruvalar-tiral (part). Sale of land by ür. 226 of 1901: SII. vii. 439.
- Takkōlam (NA.)—Tiruvaļar-tiraļpuya (with variations) and signatures. 19 of 1897; SII. v. 1382.
- Tirupputtūr (Md.)—Sanskrit part mentions Kollāpura.

 A part of the Tamil introduction and mention of ayyar (father?) who took Gangai, Pūrvadēšam and Kaḍāram.

 110 of 1908.
- * This gives acc. S. 986 (1063-4 A.D.) contra, Kielhorn A.D. 1062-3. Perhaps cyclic year in this Y.M. record is wrong. Ruled up to 1070-1. ARE, 1904, paragraph 21.
- † See under yr. 4 (371 of 1902). The variants noted there are from this record.

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Tiruvorriyūr (Ch.)-Reclamation of 60 vēli of waste land in Singavisnu-catm, by order of the king. It was to be called Virarājendraviļāgam, its produce being utilised for services in the temple 'for the health of Cakravartin Virarājēndra-dēva, for the increase of his race; for the prosperity of the tirumangalyam of the queen, and for the health of their children.' Paddy, gold and kāśu were appropriated to various items of expenditure including (a) the pay of two priests and a musician for palliye'ucci; (b) tiruvadirai-tirunal including recitation of the tiruvembavai and (c) the maintenance of 22 taliyilar who danced and sang, one dancing master, 16 devaradiyar who recited the tiruppadiyam in the agamarga and (d) of 128 of 1912; ARE. 1913 II 32. cooks.

Yāgi Mallavaram (C.)—Virarājendra-dēva. Taxes from Muññaippūndi, a dēvadāna, made over to the temple of Tirnppalādiśvara of Tiruccukanūr by Nāraṇa-dēva, a local chieftain with Cāļukya titles. 266 of 1904.

PARAKĒSARI ADHIRĀJĒNDRA-DĒVA.

Year 2.—Gidangil (SA.)—Said to be copy. Gift of land, by purchase from ür by a certain Śātta Nālāyiravan alias Karikāla-śōla Śengēṇi-nādāļvān.

227 of 1902; SII. vii. 854.

- (in the Candramaulisvara temple) which had been previously built of bricks by Köczöla, was now reconstructed of stone.

 205 of 1904.*
- taxes on four $m\tilde{a}$ of land by assembly (name lost) in favour of Tirukkaggali-mahādēva for seven $k\tilde{a}\hat{s}u$ received from the temple treasury. 123 of 1926,
- Year 3.—Kalavai (NA.)—Tingaļēr-malarndu. Sale of land by the mahāsabhā to the Tirukkāriśvara temple at Ulagaļanda-Cōļa-catm. 228 of 1901; SII. vii. 442.
 - , Kiļūr (SA.)—Tiru-maḍandaiyum. Lamp.
 256 of 1902; SH. vii. 884.
 - hy a person of *Tiruppadiyam* twice a day before Māmbalam-uḍaiya-mahādēva for (the recovery of the health of?) the king.

 280 of 1917.
 - .. Mügavädi (NA.)

573 of 1906.

, Panaiyavaram (SA.)

438 of 1903.

- Panaiyavaram (SA.)—Gift of land by purchase to Paravai † Îśvaram-udaiya-mahādēva by a native of Milalai-kūrram in Rājarāja-Pāṇḍi-nāḍu. 322 of 1917.
- " Polonnaruva (Cey.)—Tingaļēr-malarndu. ‡ Gift of five kāśu for lamp to Vānavan-mādēvi-Iśvaram at Jananāthamangala (old name of Polonnaruva), left in the
- * Rightful successor of Vîrarājēndra I; in possession of Kāhcī as capital in Yr. 3.=1072-4 (SII. iii. p. 117) Rājēndra II, Kulöttunga, usurper. ARE. 1904, paragraph 21.
 - † Paravaipuram, old name of Panaiyavaram. ARE. 1918 II. 32.
 - 1 Siva temple Fergusson i. 248. cf. SII. iii. p. 114-8.

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charge of the priests and their descendants, servants, dancing girls and the nattavar.

594 of 1912; SII. iv. 1388.

- Year 3.—Puduppādi (NA.)—Sale of land on the banks of the Pālār by the villagers (Puduppādi ūr) to the temple as the land had become unfit for cultivation in a flood.

 428 of 1905.
 - ,, Pullagantivāripatlee (Cud.)—Mentions Iraṭṭapāḍi-koṇḍaśōḥa-maṇḍalam. 537 of 1906.
 - " Tirukkānūr (Tj.)—Gift of land and house by the assembly (sabhā) of Alaiyūr to the Viṣṇu-temple of Maṇavāļa ālvār. Mentions Vīrarājēndra dēvar-vāykkāl.
 - .. Tirunāmanallūr (SA.)—Fragment.

355 of 1902; SII. vii. 985.

- Tiruppāccār (Ch.)—Tiru-maḍandaiyum. Order issued by king from his palace at Gangaikoṇḍa-śōḷapuram remitting some taxes in the village of Śēlai in Kākkalūrnāḍu as dēvadāna to the temple at Tiruppāśūr. Officers of Uḍankūṭṭam mentioned. 113 of 1930.
- ", Tiruvogriyūr (Ch.)—Tingaļēr-malarndu. Sale of land to temple by the assembly of Sundara-śōla-catm.

219 of 1912.

" Vēppungulum (Ch.)—Tingaļēr-malarndu. Three officers record dues from dēvadāna villages as obtaining from year 7 plus 1 of emperor Vīrarājēndra.

418 of 1902; SII. viii. 4.

Year 3, day 200.—Tiruvallam (NA.) — Tingaler - malarndu.
Enquiry into and a fresh settlement of temple affairs
by two royal officers. Reference is made to an earlier
settlement of the eighth year of emperor Virarajendradeva. 15 of 1890: SII. iii. 57.

The regnal is missing or uncertain in the following:-

Polonnaruva (Cey.)—Tingalër-malarndu. 596 of 1912; SII. iv. 1392.

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- Year 4.—Mannārköyil.—(Tin.)—Land to Rājēndra-śolā Viņņagar, by sabhā of Rājarāja-catm. for settling temple servants. 107 of 1905.
- Year 6.—Ambāsamudrum (Tin.) Incomplete. Mentions Rājarāja-catm. a brahmadēya in Muļļi-nādu of Mudikoņdaśōļa-vaļa-nādu in Rājarāja-Pāṇḍi-nādu. 70 of 1907.
 - " Cēramangalam (Tv.)—(Vaṭṭēḍuttu).* An undertaking given to the sabhā of Cēramangalam by Mangāḍi Igaiyān Accan to stand surety (puṇaipaḍuvēn) for the igai due from Ten-tirnvarangam-uḍaiyār-kōyil-mudukuḍi Śendil Āyirava-dēvan, in case he went elsewhere (mangu-māgi-pōgil). Ippaḍi-angēuēl angāḍu kōvinukku agu-kaṭañju pon paḍuvadāga.

TAS. v. pp. 29-30.

- ,, Pārthivaśēkharaņuram (Tv.)—(Valleluttu). Provision for a perpetual lamp and the sumptuous feeding (agram unnarum) of one Brahman every day in the temple of the village.

 TAS. vi. i. App.
- Year 8.—Virasihhāmaņi (Tin.) (Valleluttu) † No Jaţ. title. Lamp. 40 of 1908.
- Year 9.—Sucindram (Tv.)—Lamp.

76 of 1896.

Sucindram (Tv.)—The local commandant (ivrār-paḍait-talairan) undertakes to maintain 1½ perpetual lamps with 3/8 measure of ghī daily from 38 cows given by Śankarappāḍiyān Kaļani-veṇṇi alias Madhurāntakappēraraiyan of Kōṭṭār alias Mummuḍi-śōṭanallūr, in the temple of Tiruvēngaḍattāṭvār in Sucindram alias Sundaraśōṭa-catm., a brahmadēyam in Nāñṭi-nāḍu.

TAS. iv. pp. 134-5.

[·] Palaeogr. later.

[†] The only other Vatteluttu record of this king is 162 of 1895 (Gangai-kondan). ARE, 1908 II 41.

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- Year 10.—Sērmādēvi (Tin.) Incomplete. Mentions Sõlendrasinga-Isvaram-udaiyār. 615 of 1916.
 - " Vijayanārāyaṇam (Tin.)—The village is called Jayangoṇḍa-śōḷa-catm. * in Uttamaśōḷa-vaḷa-nāḍu.

5 of 1927.

Year 11.—Ādanār (Tin.)—(Vatteluttu). Lamp. 439 of 1909.

" Cōļapuram (Nagercoil) (Tv.)—25 cows for lamp to Rājēndrašōļa Īśvaram in Tirukkōṭṭār alias Mummudiśōļanallūr by Sarvalōkāśraya-śrī-viṣṇuvardhana Mahārāja alias Cāļnkya Vijayāditya Vikkiyannan.

44 of 1896; TAS. vi. p. 8; EL xi. pp. 293-4.

, Cōlapuram (Nagercoil) (Tv.)—80 Sheep for a lamp in same temple by Udaiyār-perundanattu-dēvan-Viccādiran alias Šōļa-mārāyan. The sheep were left with one person, for whom another was guarantor.

TAS. vi. p. 9.

mangalam (Nagercoil) (Tv.)—Sabhā of Šīvaļļuvamangalam alias Kēvala (?)-kulāšani-caim., a brahmadēya in Nāṇṭārguppōkku of Uttamašōļa-vaļa-nāḍu, sold some of the common land (engaļār viegukkudutta podunilamāradu) to the dēvakanmis of the same temple in Kōṭṭār. Some conditions made regarding payment of taxes.

TAS. vi. pp. 11-2.

Year 12.—Colapuram (Nagercoil) (Tv.)—Incomplete.

45 of 1896.

,, *Śērmādēri* (Tin.)—The Śivabrāhmaṇas of Aganāligai received 36 *kāśu* from Śrīkaṇṭha Dāmōdarabhaṭṭa for a lamp to Kailāsam-uḍaiyār. Mentions the temple Cōļēndraśinga-iśvaram.

193 of 1895; SII. v. 757; 621 of 1916.

Year 13.—Ambāsamudram (Tin.)—Gift for merit of the Nānādēšittišai—1,500 of Rājēndra-cēļa-maṇḍalam. The temple is called Tiruccālait-turai-āļvār. 82 of 1907.

^{*} Not found in Rājarāja's records from the place. ARE. 1927 II 35.

Year 13.—Mannārkōyil (Tin.)—Sale of land, 14½ nilam (vēli) and 2 mā, including dry and wet lands, to Rājēndra-śōlaviṇṇagar of Rājarāja-catm., by the Mahāsabhā of the place. The names of śēris in this village, twelve in number, furnish an example of the Cōla practice of renaming places: Rājarāja, Mummuḍi-śōla, Arumoli-dēva, Nittavinōda, Cōlēndrasimha, Sundara-śōla, Vānavan-mādēvi, Uttama-śōla, Śembiyan-mādēvi, Kundavsi, Pañcavan-mādēvi, Lōka-mādēvi.

109 of 1905 *; EI. xi. pp. 292-8.

- " Mannārkāyil (Tin.)—Sale of land. Long account of land converted to veļļān-vagai, a tenure. 110 of 1905.
- " Śērmādēvi (Tin.)—Sale of land by Mahāsabhā of Nigariliśōla-catm., to the temple of Śri-Kailāsam-udaiyār of the village. 612 of 1916.
- " Tiruvālīšvaram (Tin.) Lamps. Temple of Tiruvālīccuram-udaiyār was in Rājarāja-catm, a brahmadēya in Muļļi-nādu. 115 of 1905.

Year 14—Ambāsamudram (Tin.)—Incomplete. 75 of 1907.

"Mannārköyil (Tin.)—Sundara C. P.-dēva. Half a lamp and 16 cows by Śēraļan-mādēviyār Adicci, queen of the Cēra king Rāśinga-dēvar to Rājēndra-śēla-viņņagarāļvār † at Muḍi-koṇḍa...in Rājarāja-pāṇḍi-nāḍu.

392 of 1916.

" Mannārkāyil (Tin.)—Sale of a whole village to same temple, by two bhattas who were brothers.

106 of 1905.

- " Śērmādēvi (Tin.)—Half a lamp by a lady. 618 of 1916.
- Year 14, day 320.—Šērmādēvi (Tin.)—Provision by sabhā for offerings to Uyyakkondān (Tiruccenna)dai in the Nigarili-sola-viņņagar temple. 712 of 1916.
- Yr. 15 of this prince=Yr. 24 of his father (ARE, 1905 II 25). Hence acc.
 1020-1 A.D. See PK. p. 116.
 - † Temple built by Rasinga himself (112 of 1905).

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- Year 15.—Sërmādēvi (Tin.)—Land for tirumeykkāppu in the Nigarili-sõļa-viņņagar-āļvār temple. 700 of 1916.
- Year 16.—Ambāsamudram (Tin.)—Lamp to Tiruccālait-turaiyuḍaiya-mahādēva in Rājarāja-catm. 77 of 1907.
 - " Mannārkōyil (Tin.) Land. Mentions the Cēra king Rājarāja-dēva and kuḍinīngāk-kārāṇmai.

≰ 111 of 1905.

- Year 17.—*Sērmādēvi* (Tin.)—Fifty sheep for a perpetual lamp and a *śandivijakku* to Kailāsam-udaiyār. 622 of 1916.
 - Tiruvālīšvaram (Tin.)—Udaiyār Śrī Sundara Cōļa-Pāṇḍya-dēva, * scated in the maṇḍapa outside his palace at Rājēndra-śōḷapuram, gave, in accordance with the order of his ammān (the Cōla emperor?), five vēli of land, after purchase, to the temple in Rājarāja-catm. in Muḷḷi-nāḍu in Muḍikoṇḍa-śōḷa-vaḷa-nāḍu, for festivals, the feeding of Brahmans, and the reading of Śivadharma. The gift included paddy given by the cultivator (veḷḷān) as the landlord's share, uruvukōlkāśu and kākṣi-erudu-kāśu.
- Year 17, day 7.—Sērmādēvi (Tin.)—Udaiyār Śri Sundara C. P.deva. † Remission of taxes with effect from year 16
 on lands at Kallūr in Mēl-Vēmba-nādu in Mudikoṇḍaśōḷa-vaḷa-nādu in favour of Kailāsam-udaiyār, by the
 king seated in the western hall of his palace at
 Rājēndra-śōḷapuram at the instance of his ammān.
 Mentions items of money-income: alagerudu-kātcikaśu, kātci-erudu-kāśu, and ūrkkaḷañju; and also a
 number of royal officers. The lands got the new name
 Śivapādaśēkhara-nallūr. 619 of 1916.
- Year 17, day 65.—*Tiruvāliśvuram* (Tin.)—Ūdaiyār Śri Sundara C. P.-dēva ‡. Begins with the phrase: variyilīdu.
- This prince without any distinguishing epithet was another and a later prince than Jat. Sundara C. P. and was perhaps the successor of Mag. Vikrama C.P. and a nephew of Rajadhiraja I. ARE. 1917 II. 3.

1 Seo n. ante.

[†] See note above.

The king being at dinner in the siddur-kūdam in his pleasure-garden called Puttan on the north side of Māḍakkuļak-kīļ-Madurai was seated (?) on the Rājēn-dra-śōḷa-Atimūrkkaccengirai. The order of ammān was received and sanction given for variyilūdu. (See No. 327 ante.)

332 of 1916.

- Year 18.—Ambāsamudram (Tin.)—60 sheep for lamp. The Tiruppōttuḍaiyār and Tiruccālait-tugai Śrī-mūlasthāna temples are said to have been in the southern hamlet of Rājarāja-catm. 102 of 1905.
- Year 19.—Cēramangalam (Tv.)—A zinc (tarā) lamp-stand to Ten-tiruvarangam-uḍaiyār of the village by Tiruvograic-cēvagan Māyilaṭṭi, the younger brother of Śankarap-pāḍiyān Kalani-veṇṇi * of Mukkarai alias Mummuḍi-śōlapuram in Purangarambai-nāḍu, a sub-division of Arumolidēva-vala-nāḍu in the Śōla-man lalam.

TAS. v. pp. 29-30.

- " Cōlapuram (Nagercoil)—(Tv.) Lamp. 34 of 1896.
- " Cōṭapuram (Nagercoil) (Tv.)—12½ cows (paśu) for half a lamp by the woman (peņ) Tavaši Nāgpatteṇṇāyira Magali-dēvi of the place (ivvār) to Rājēndrašōṭa-īśvaram-uḍaiyār in the interior (uṭṭātat) of Tirukkōṭṭār alias Mummuḍi-śōṭa-nallūr. TAS. vi. p. 13.
 - Sērmādēvi (Tin.)—Order of puravu-vari-tiņaik-kaļattār and varip-pottagam-uḍaiyār that the ten persons who had the kāṇi of the 2 vēli of temple lands at Kallūr, under the name Sivapādaśēkhara-nallūr, had relinquished them in favour of the temple servants who would thenceforth cultivate them. 'Mānavīra Parāntaka' appearing in this record was perhaps a surname of the king. 630 of 1916. †

[·] See under year 9,-Sucindram.

[†] This record taken along with 619 (Yr. 17, day 7) shows that the viceroy in both must be the same.

COLAPANDYA JATAVARMAN SUNDARA

Year 20.—Tiruvidānkāļu (Tv.)—(Vaļļeļuttu). Gold for lamp. 20 kaļanju, kāšu nigai kallāl onbadu māttu.

TAS. iv. pp. 139-41.

- Year 21.—Ānaimalai (Md.)—25 sheep for lamp. Mentions Kil-Iraņiyamuṭṭam and Tiruvānaimalai. Sheep left with Nakkan Śeṇbagam of the veṭṭikkuḍi of Śrī Narasinhadēva. 64 of 1905.
 - " Ānaimalai (Md.)—Lamp to Narasimha-āļvār on the Tiruvānaimalai in Kīļ-Iraņiyamuṭṭam in the Rājēndra-Cōļa-vaļa-nāḍu of the Rājarāja-pāṇḍi-nāḍu.

65 of 1905.

- , Gangaikondān (Tin.)—(Valle'uttu) Land. 162 of 1895; SII. v. 726.
- " Tiruvālišvaram (Tin.)—Cows for lamp by a certain woman (peṇḍāṭṭ). Pattargal-paṇḍāram, of the Ula-guḍaiya-Pirāṭṭiyār-vēṭam. The lamp was in the charge of a commandant (paḍait-talaivan). 330 of 1916.
- Year 23.—Ādanūr (Tin.)—(Vatteluttu). Damaged.
 438 of 1909.
 - " Sērmādēvi (Tin.)—Tiru manni vaļara * (part). Sale of land by assembly of Rājarāja-catm. to the temple of Kailāsam-uḍaiyār in Nigarili-śōļa-catm. 617 of 1916.
- Year 30.—Āttār (Tin.)—Lamp by one of the Sundara-sõļa-Pāṇḍyat-terinda-vāļar. 395 of 1930.
 - The regnal year is missing or uncertain in the following:-

Ambāsamudram (Tin.)—Lamp. Mentions aganāligaiyām. 76 of 1907.

Ambāsamudram (Tin.)—Mentions Muttūrrukūrram.
80 of 1907.

^{*} Clearly implying that this viceroy was the son of Rajendra I. ARE. 1917 II 3.

Ambāsamudram (Tin.)—Lamp. Mentions Kṣatriyasikhā-maṇipuram and the shrine of Karumāṇikka-dēvar in the temple of Tiruc-cālait-tugai. 85 of 1907.

Cōlapuram (Nagercoil) (Tv.)—Two lamps.

38 of 1896.

Cōļapuram (Nagercoil) (Tv.)—Sale of land by ūr of Karumbaļu alias Aļagiya-śōļa-nallūr of Nāūja-nāḍ.

TAS. vi. p. 13.

Cōļapuram (Nagercoil) (Tv.)—Sale of land by ūr to engaļār Madilagattu Rājēndrasola-isvaram.

TAS. vi. i. App.

Mannārkōyil (Tin.)—Mentions the Cēra king Rājasimha. 114 of 1905.

Sevilippēri (Tin.)—50 sheep for lamp. 410 of 1906.

COLA-PĀŅDYA: JAṬĀVARMAN UDAIYĀR ŚRĨ COLA PĀNDYA-DĒVA.

- Year 3.—Śevilippēri (Tin.).—25 sheep to temple of Tentirumālirunjōlai by a native of Dēvar-veṭṭi-kuḍi near Tirunel-vēli in Kīļ-vēmba-nāḍu, of the Muḍi-koṇḍa-śōḷa-vaḷa-nāḍu in Rājarāja-pāṇḍi-nāḍu.

 408 of 1906.
 - Sucindram (Tv.)—Fifty sheep for a lamp to Sucindramudaiya Paramasvāmīgaļ by Daņdanāyagam Šolamaņdalattu Vadagarai-Rājendra-singa-vaļanāṭṭu Tiruvālināṭṭu Marudattūr-udaiyān Vēļān Śola-Kēraļan alias Karikāla-sola-Vaitumbarāyan. TAS. iv. pp. 136-8. *
- Year 3, day 380.—Śērmādēvi (Tin.)—The king from his throne in the tirumaūjana-śālai of the palace at Rājēndra-śōļapuram declared tax-free certain dēvadāna lands at Kallūr, four vēlis (including two vēlis called Śiva-pādaśēkhara-nallūr), and had them entered in the register under the orders of his father (nammayyar) the Cōļa emperor (Vīrarājēndra) whose eulogy commences vīramē-tuņaiyāgavum. Temple Kailāsamudaiyār said to be on the Mudikoṇḍa-śōļappērāgu, Tāmbaraparṇi. Many revenue officials sign the record.

Year 24.—Sucindram (Tv.)—Lamp.

69 of 1896. ‡

Swindram (Tv.)—Sabhā of Sundara-cōļa-catm. (Sucīndram) sold land for lamp to temple: vilaip-poruļum iraip-poruļum arak-kondu. TAS. iv. pp. 138-9.

Year 25-Sucindram (Tv.)-Land.

70 of 1896. §

Viceroy must be Gangaikonda appointed by Virarajendra. TAS. ibid.

[†] Viceroy was Gangaikonda-solan of Virarājendra's records. (El. xi. 293) – 1RE, 1917 II 3.

[‡] Perhaps the first Cola-Pandya ruler. K.V.S. Aiyar. El. xi. p. 293.

[§] See last note.

Year 25.—Sucindram (Tv.)—Sabhā of Sundara-śōļa-catm. sell land for 60 kāśu, being iraip-porul and vilaip-porul, to the temple. Procedure of sale interesting. Mentions Veņkāḍan Śankaranāna Sēnāpati Malaiyappiccōļan vaitta Abhayākaran tiruvamudu. Also two lamps endowed.

TAS. iv. pp. 131-4.

Record from which the name and regnal year of viceroy have disappeared:—

Sērmādēvi (Tin.)—Fifty cows for two lamps by Ulaguḍaiyāļ, queen of (Rājēndra I) who took Gangai, Kiḍāram and Pūrvadēśam. * 623 of 1916.

Perhaps Vikrama C.P.-deva. ARE, 1917 II 3.

CÖLA-PANDYA: MĀRAVARMAN UDAIYĀR ŚRĪ VIKRAMA

- Year 20.—Ādanār (Tin.)—(Valleluttu). Before this is a line in Valleluttu mentioning year 3 of Jațăvarman Sundara Côla-Păṇḍya-deva. 434 of 1909.
- Year 21.—*Śērmādēvi* (Tin.)—Lamp to Kailāyam-udaiya Mahādēva of Nigarili-fōla-catın. by a Brahman lady of the Kuṃlina-gōtra. 194 of 1895; *SII.* v. 758.
 - , *Šermādēvi* (Tin.)—Cows for lamp by a Brahman lady. 628 of 1916.
- Year 22.—Śrmādrii (Tin.)—25 Sheep for a half-lamp to Kailāsam-uḍaiyār * by Kuḍitāngi-Śengoḍi of the Śramānārvēļam. 620 of 1916.
- Year 24.—Kanyākumāri (Tv.)—Money. 100 of 1896.
- Year 25.—*Śērmādēvi* (Tin.)—Lamp to Kailāsam-uḍaiyār. 616 of 1916.
 - ,, Sörműdévi (Tin)—25 cows for lamp by Daṇdanāyakam Parākrama-nārāyaṇa Brahmādhirājan.

627 of 1916.

- Sērmādēvi (Tin.) The Aganāligai-sivabrāhmaņar of Solendra-singa-isvara and Kailāsa temples at Nigarili-sola-catm., received twelve kāšu from a Brahman lady and agreed to serve in the Rājādhirājac-cuggālai of the temple and burn a lamp to Dakṣiṇāmūrti in the same † temple.
- " Tiruvālīšvaram (Tin.)—13 cows for half a lamp.
 328 of 1916.
- * Indirect evidence of sway of the C.-P. s over Kerala. ARE, 1917 II 4.
- † King, identified with Mummudi-sölan, younger brother of Rajendra-deva (II) ARE, 1917 II 3.

Year 29.—Kanyākumāri (Tv.)—The sabhā of Kalikkudi met in the mukha-maṇḍapa of the Rājarājiśvara temple and resolved to devote 20 kāśu, collected by public subscription (payikṣampukku) at their instance (nām dēśanguḍuttu) by Accan Mārrili, a merchant of Kumāri alias Gangaikoṇḍa-śōlapuram, and intended to be the corpus for meeting expenses for tiruvamidu in the temple, for repairing breaches in the Kōnāḍarkuļam, the perumakkaļ of Rājarājīśvaram undertaking to supply daily two nāli of rice for offerings.

TAS. i. pp. 249-50 (R). *

^{*} T.A.G. Rao is surprised at the Pandya titles in this record and seems also to mistake its import.

CŌLA-PĀNDYA: MĀRAVARMAN UDAIYĀR ŚRĪ PARĀKRAMA

- Year 3.—*Tiruvālīśvaram* (Tin).—Twenty-five sheep for half a lamp to Tiruvālīc-curam-uḍaiyār by Rāman Kēṇi alias Naḍuvirukkai Tanam-śeṭṭi. 329 of 1916.
- Year 4.—Śērmādēvi (Tin.)—Money, 12 kāśu, with Aganāligaiyār by Yōga-dēva and (his wife) Sōma-dēvi of Kāśmiradēśa for a lamp in the temple of Kailāsam-uḍaiyār at Nigarili-śōla-catm., a brahmadēya in Muļļi-nāḍu, a sub-division of Uttama-śōla-vaļa-nāḍu in 'Rājarāja-pāṇḍi-nāḍu.'

CÖLA-PĀNDYA: JATĀVARMAN UDAIYĀR VĪRA *

Year 21.—Poriccikāyil (Rd.)—Land for offerings during one service every day and for a lamp to Kṣētrapāla-dēva in the temple of Muṭṭiśvaram-udaiyār in Mēn-Marudūr alias Jayangoṇḍa-śōḷanallūr. Mentions Kulāśanī Ambalattāḍi also called Rājādhirāja-pūngunṛa-nāḍālvān and his brother Kulāśani Māḷuva-māṇikkam alias Adhirājādhirāja-pūngunṛa-nādālvān.

99 of 1924.

^{*} Perhaps Mummudi-sõlan on whom his elder brother Rājēndra conferred the Cōla-Pāṇdya title (SII. iii. p. 62), or Gangaikoṇḍa-sõlan who received from his father Vīrarājēndra-dēva the Pāṇḍya country and the title. ARE. 1924 II 25.

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- Page 30.—n. *—Regarding the omission of Cōla in the Periplus, Krom says: "Is this an omission or had the Cōla temporarily disappeared before the spreading power of the Pāṇḍyas chronicled in Tamil poems? Another Tamil legend connects the Pallavas with the Cōlas, making the first of them the son of a Cōla king and a nāgī. Could the Pallavas for whom, however, a Parthian origin has sometimes been postulated, have taken the place of the Cōlas, as in the centuries after the fall of the Pallavas, the Cōlas again rise into importance in the same territory?" Hindoe-Javaansche Geschiedenis p. 70. See, however, Studies, p. 11.
- Page 64.—II. 1-3.—The camp of Pogaiyan (*Pogaiyan pāšagai*) is mentioned by Poygaiyār in another poem as well, *Narrinai* 18.
- Page 100.—n. *—But see pp. 263-64 infra.
- Page 103.—n. *—A.K. Kumaraswami, JAOS. li. p. 181. Also the occurrence of Kanarese words in the Oxyrhynchus Papyrus, second century A.D. (JRAS, 1904, pp. 399 ff.) may be noted. MAR, 1926, pp. 11 ff. discusses these words and expressions in detail.
- Page 104.—n. *—For a discussion of this passage in the Periplus with reference to Indian boot-designs, see Hornell, Memoirs of the Asiatic Society of Bengal, vii. pp. 215 ff. He suggests that the Colandia of the first century had close kinship with the two-masted Javanese outrigger ships of the Boro-Budur sculptures. But surely the two-masted ships without outriggers on the Andhra and Kurumbar Coins seem to be nearer the vessels mentioned by the Periplus than Javanese sculptures of the 8th or 9th century A.D.
- Page 127.—n. †—It must be noted, however, that Idangali is said to have been the ancestor of Aditya who covered the

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Cidambaram temple with gold from Kongu. Even if this is a reference to Āditya I who conquered Kongu and annexed Tonglai-nād to the Cōla kingdom, Idangali might have been connected with the Cōlas only by giving his daughter in marriage to a Cōla prince. At any rate, we have no evidence that the Cōlas were descended from the Vēls in the male line.

- Page 137.—n. §—On Māgambāvai and the title Pallavatilaka see also EI. xviii. p. 118. The two inscriptions mentioned at the end of the note now published as 301-A and 303 of 1901 (Nos. 523 and 525 of SII. vii.) may not belong to Nepatunga's reign; their beginnings are lost.
- Pare 153 and n*—It is doubtful if Cāļukya Bhīma's territory could have extended up to Śitpuli-nāḍu between Venkaṭagiri and Gūdūr (Rapur Tq). It may have been an attempt of Parāmaka to subdue the Telugu Cōḍas. NI. R. 47 (p. 1267) 1. 34 mentions Ceḍupuli-nāḍu.
- Page 186—II. 9-10,— The third year of Sundara Côla, about 959
 A.D.' is based on the text of 116 of 1896 in SII. v. But
 the figure '3' is doubtful in that inscription, and as
 the general is mentioned in an inscription of Sundara
 Côla in the seventh year (291 of 1908), Śiriya-věļār
 must have fought and died in Coylon after that date,
 K.V.S. Aiyar suggests the muth year, c. A.D. 965 (EI.
 vii. p. 124), and this is quite possible.
- Fage 217.—n. § —Published EI xxi. pp. 29 ff. An incomplete mscription from Tiruccattuga (Tj.), 204 of 1931, mentions victories in Puna-uā lu and Malai-nādu, the defeat of Vaļudi (Pāṇḍya), the destruction of Viļinam with its strong ramparts, the sowing of cowries in Kagkadai-mā-nagar, and the defeat of Telungu-Bhīma, and Jananāthau-emberumān Sembiyar Kōn. Evidently it is in praise of a chief who took part in these events, but whose name is lost. The inscription seems to be of the time of Rājarāja 1; I have examined the impression and am mable to accept the twelfth century date suggested in ARE, 1931, II 30.

- Page 220.—n. ‡—"The Sultan takes the official title of king of the thirteen provinces and of the 12.000 islands. According to Owen this is scarcely a third or a fourth of the actual number, although, apart from mere reefs, a few hundred only appear on the most carefully prepared charts. Ptolemy reckoned as many as 1,378, but not more than 175 are inhabited." The Universal Geography by Elisee Reclus, ed. A.H. Keane, Vol. viii. India and Indo-China, p. 384.
- Page 221.—II. 14-5.—Another inscription of the thirty-first year of Rājarāja comes from Brahmadeśam (NA.), 252 of 1915.
- Page 224.—1. 8.—Attention is drawn to the flight of Buddhist monks from Magadha to the South mentioned by Tārānātha (Schiefner p. 255), and the foundation of the monastery at Negapatam by a king of Sumatra may be explained, it is said, 'as the continuation of the relations between Magadha and the Archipelago.' Bijdragen tot de Taal, Land en Volkenkunde Deel 90 (1933) pp. 19-20. But there are insuperable chronological difficulties in the way of accepting this; the Muhammadan invasion which dispersed the monks of Magadha did not occur before the twelfth century.
- Page 260.—n *—It is perhaps worth noting that Ferrand (Relations ii. p. 646 n. 11; JA. 11: 14 pp. 173, 176 n. 1) has made a serious mistake in supposing that Hultzsch locates Malaiyūr in the North Arcot District (EI. ix. p. 231). Hultzsch's remark about Mulliyūr relates to the donative part of the Tirumalai record, not the praéasti narrating the campaign.
- Pages 259-265.—Rouffaer proposes a different scheme of identifications for the places mentioned in the Tanjore inscription in an important contribution in Bijdragen, Deel 77 (1921). I translate below the passage summing up his conclusions:

We find the 13 states in Rājendra's Tanjore manifesto summed up in this soundly rhetorical and partly geographical order:

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[1-14 see end] 1. Kedah (Kadāram) the pre-eminently strong, particularly on land (by its elephants);

[2-4 on Sumatra] 2. Palembang (Śri Vijayam), the rich emporium *; 3. Pane; Panai (Paṇṇai) the rivertown; 4. Djambi (Malaiyūr), the ancient;

[5-8 on the Malay Peninsula:] 5. Hasin, Ma Hasin (Māyirudingam), the sea-town; 6 Wurawāri = Gangā-yu = Langkāsuka (I-Langāsökam), the unconquerable; 7. Pahang, or rather Penang (Mā-pappāļam), the water state (defended by an abundance of deep waters); 8. either Dinding or Braus, in Perak (Mēvilimbangam), encircled by a wall (defended by beautiful walls), or probably also the equally ancient Kelang in Selangor;

[9 on Campa's south coast] 9. Phanrang, Paṇḍuranga? (Vaļaippandūru wherein, according to a kind communication of Prof. Van Ronkel, Tamil vaļai means 'fortress') in parts still wild (possessing at once cultivated lands (?) and waste-land);

[10-11; back on the north of the Malay Peninsula] 10. Ptoleniy's Takola - Takkola of the Milindapanha (i.e., Menander dialogues c. 400 A.D.) - Takuā Pā of to-day (Gerini-1909), Mal. Takopa, on the W. coast, 8° 25' N.L. (Talaittakkõlam, in which Tamil talai means chief, original, Coedes); 11. Tambra-linga. (Linga of Copper) - either Chaiyya or Bandon or - and in my opinion the most likely-Ligor, (Lakon, Nagor, Nakor, all meaning Nagara; against which Ligor can just be a corruption of an older 'Linga'; the Lo-yue Kia-Tan's sea-itinerary of c. 800 A.D.), thus all three on the E. coast resp. 9° 20' 9° 5' and 8° 22' N.L. (Mā-Damälingam, Coedes pp. 15-18 and 32-3; where he first publishes a Buddhist inscription from Jaiya - Chaiya, dated 4332 Kali-1230 A.D., given by Sri Dharmarāja, prince of Tāmbralinga).

^{*} Coedes (p. 5, n. 1) remarks that some of the ornate epithets which in Hultzsch's translation of the inscription in 1891 all become related to Kadaram may prehably relate to Sri Vijayam.

The first, Ptolemy's emporium Takôla thus from c. 150 A.D., is described in this Tanjore inscription of 1030 A.D., as 'praised by great men versed in the sciences'; which, via the Milindapaûha of the 5th century A.D. and the Bactrian prince Menander alias Milinda (c. 155 B.C.) praised therein, was known not simply in India itself but in the land of the Yavanas = Greeks.

The second, I think, is no other than Ligor = Lo-Yue (c. 800 A.D.) = Linga, say: 'Siva's town'; later become Buddhist, and 'the city' (Nagara) or capital of Buddha, Dharma-nagari (Nāgarakṛctāyama of 1365 A.D., 15:1) alias Nagara Śrī Dharma-rāja (924 A.D.; Gerini p. 107), thus in the manner of the older Śri Vijaya = Palembang, and the much later (15th century?)' Siak Śri Indrapura' = Siyak in 1365 A.D.; all sign-boards of political power like Great Berlin, or Great Netherlands or Great(er) Britain:—here in the Tanjore inscription of 1030 A.D. described as 'intrepid in great and terrible combats.'

[12-13, to the S.W. and W.S.W. of Takkola-Ligor] 12. Great Atjeh, Lamoeri (I-Lāmuridēśam), of which the terrible force (Atjeh wars 1872-1905!) was conquered by a violent attack': and 13. the Nicobars (Mā-Nakka-vāram), these islands of naked idyllic wilds described as: of which the gardens of flowers resemble the zone of the nymph of the southern region'

and I. Rājēndra Côla king by the grace of gods (since 1012 A.D.), repeat:

[14-1; Alpha and Omega] Kedha (Kadaram) the mighty (on land), protected by the sea.

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Abhaya alias Kulöttunga I 351, 352.

Abhaya alias Vīrarājēndra, 351.

Abhayāśraya Caturvēdi-mangalam 533n; (Śāttanūr) 543, 581.

Abhidhammāvatāra: Buddhadata 120.

Abhimānarāman, throne 601. Abhimanyu 340, 349n.

Abhirāmēśvara, temple 395.

Abhisēka-mandapa 458.

Accan (Adittan) Vikramakësari 188n.

Accan Mārrili 618.

Accan Śenāccan 405.

Accarappäkkam 602.

Accuta Kalabba alias Accutavikkanta of the Kalabhrakula, mentioned by Buddhadatta and said to have kept the three Tamil kings in confinement 121, 129.

Accutavikkanta 121.

Adambuli(n)gudi 380.

Ādanūr (Tin.) 522, 609, 613, 617.

Ādanūr (Tj.) birth-place of Nanda 18, 369,

Adavallan, a measure 524.

"Adeisathros (of Ptolemy) 31n.

Adhikārikal Pārāšaryan Vāsudēva-nārāyaṇan alias Ulagalanda-Sōla Brahmamārāyan, guru of Rājādhīrāja I 313.

Adhirāja-mangalyapuram (Tiruvadi) 407, 445. Adhirājēndra, Parakēsari 293, 324, 303n. 336; chosen beir-apparent (c. 1067-8) 338, 349n, 350; Rājiga came to the south after his demise 351 and n; his legitimacy recognised Kulötwas by tunga I 352-3; Jayangondār does not mention him; theory of his being a bastard with no title to the throne 354: troubles of his reign, persecution of Rāmānuja 356 and n, 357.

Ādicca, Tamil general sent against Rāmañūa-dēśa by Parākramabāhu I 260.

Ādicca Pidāri 150n.

Ādicca-vāykkāl 397.

Adigal-accan 543.

Adigal Kandan Mārambāvai, queen of Nandi-pōttaraiyar of the Pallava-tilaka race 137, 383.

Adigal Nīrādi 478.

Adigan 127.

Adigudi (Tri.) 424.

Adikārigaļ Šöļa Mūvēnda-vēļār 543.

Adil Shah of Bijāpūr 170.

Ādimandi, a daughter of Karikāla 43.

Ādittabhaṭṭāraka, shrine 381.

Ādittan Kannara-dēvan, son of the Cloa king 375.

Ādittan Karrali-pirāţţi 439.

Ādittan Kodai-pirāţtiyar 451.

Ādittan Sūryan alias Tennavan Mūvēnda-vēļān, Poygai-nādu Kiļavan 532.

Ādittan or Āccan Vikramakēsari 188n.

Adittan Viman, Araiyan perhaps father of Viman Kundavai, mother of Parantaka II 387 and n, 388.

Ādittapanmat-terinda- kaikkōļar 388.

Ādittaparumar, Vira Pāṇḍiyantalai-koṇḍa Pārthivēndra 458.

Ādittapura, Maņigrāmam of 425.

Ādittēśvara alias Kōdaņdarāmēśvara at Toņdaimānād 139, 432.

Ādittēśvara, temple at Kuhūr 398, 467, 486, 559.

Ādittēśvara, temple at Tiruppugambiyam 557.

Ādittēśvaram-udaiya - mahādēva at Mēganūr 570.

Ādittēśvaram-udaiya - mahādēva at Tirunallam, Könērirājapuram 467, 474n.

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